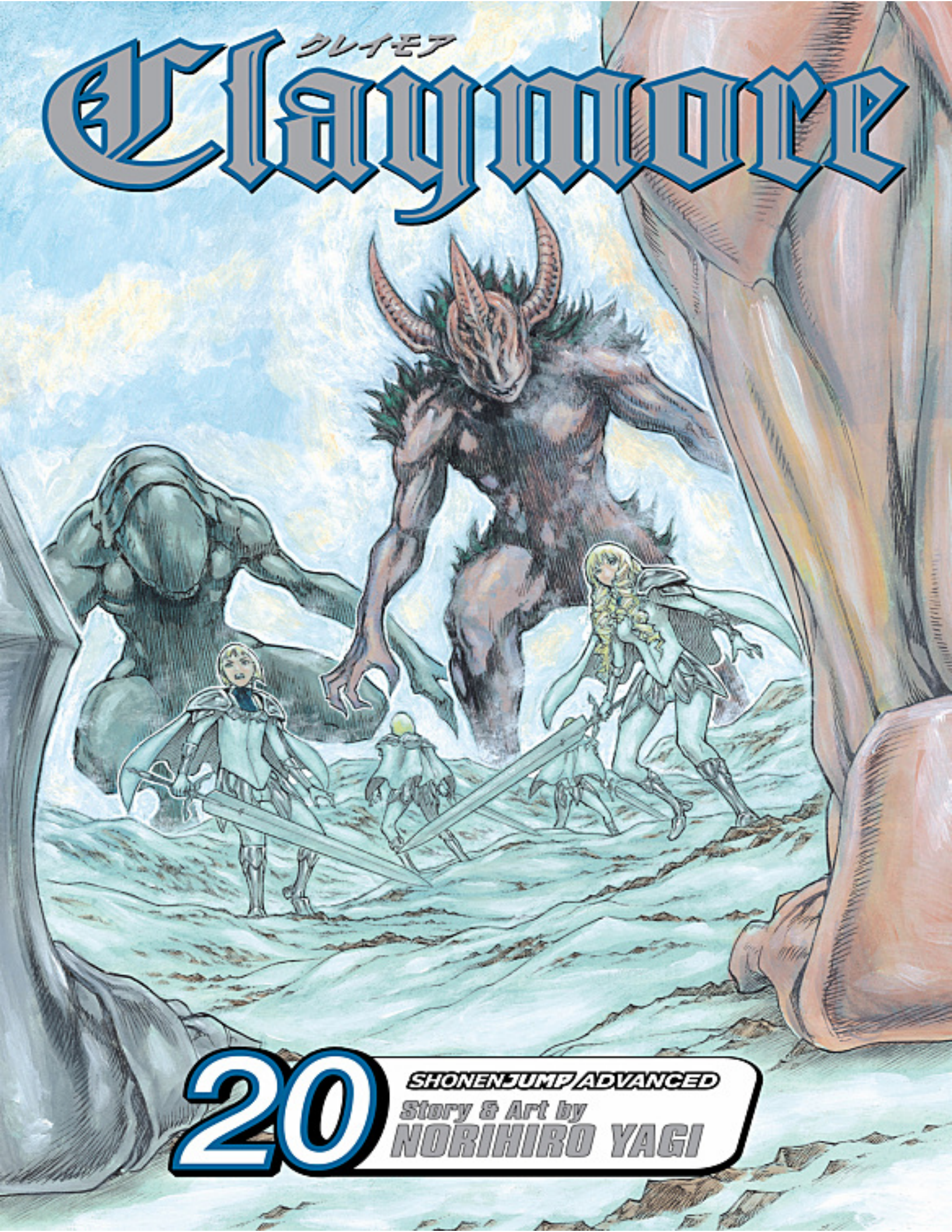


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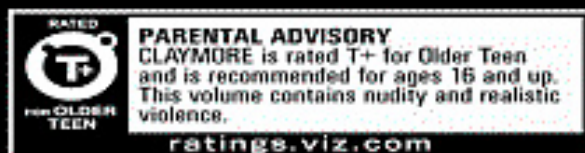
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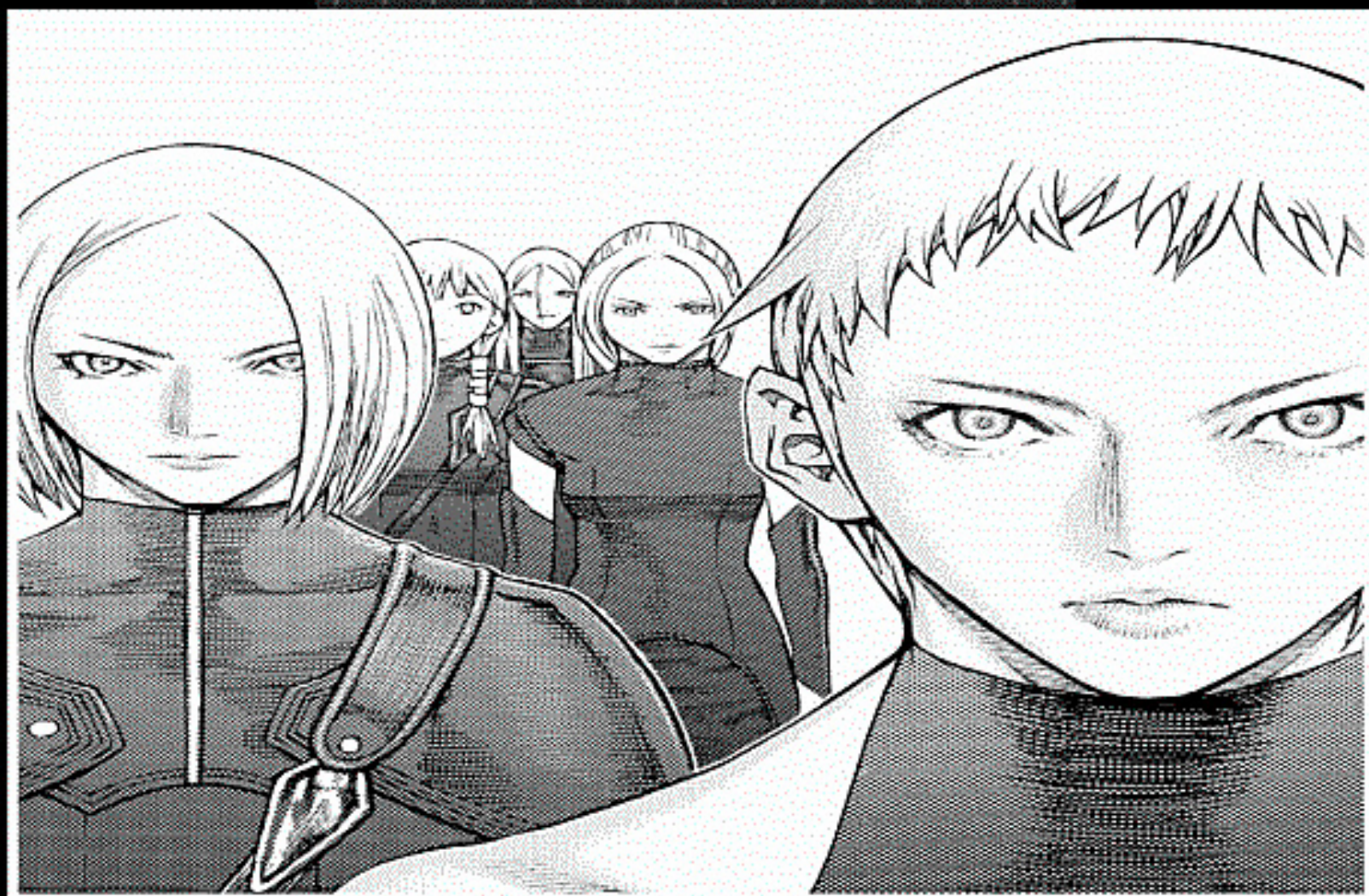
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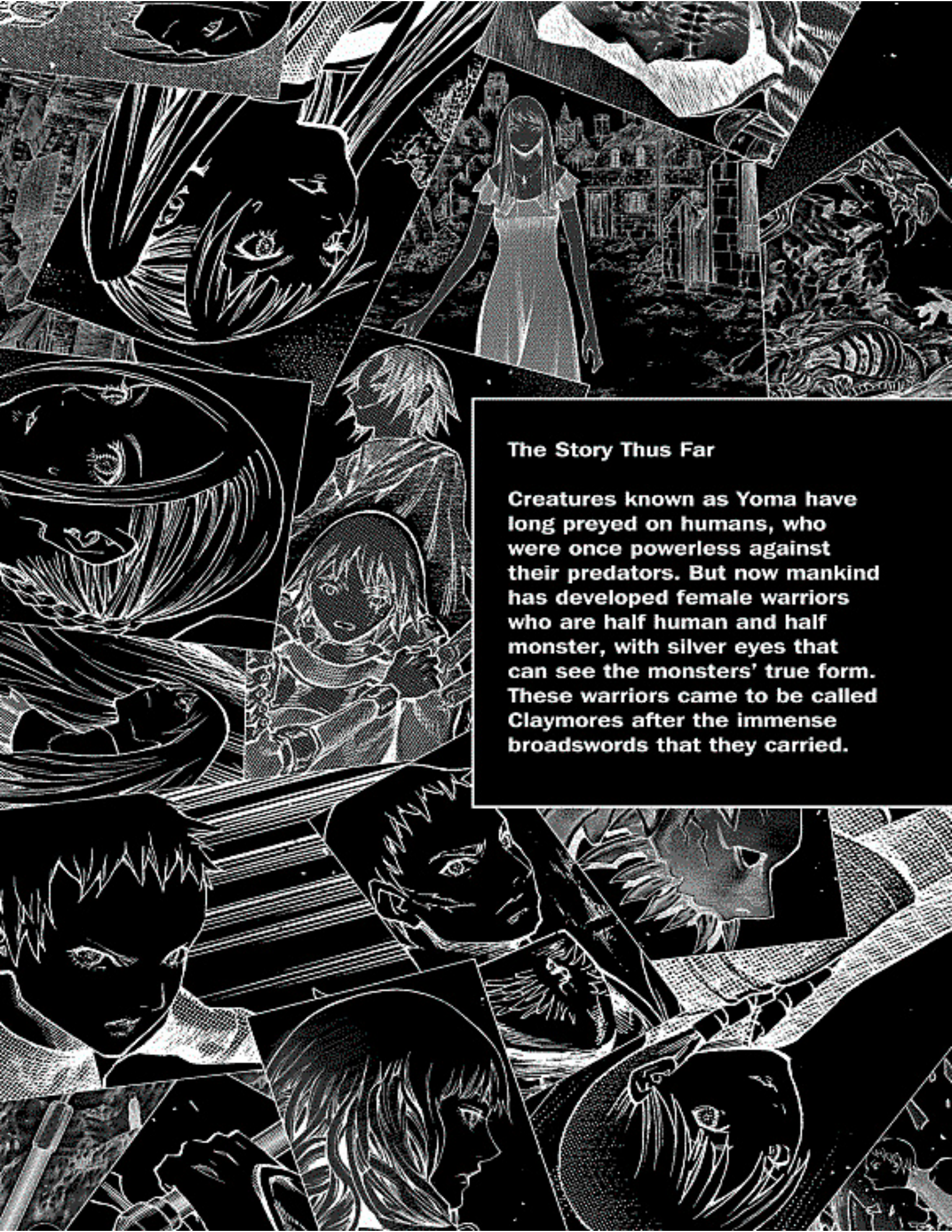
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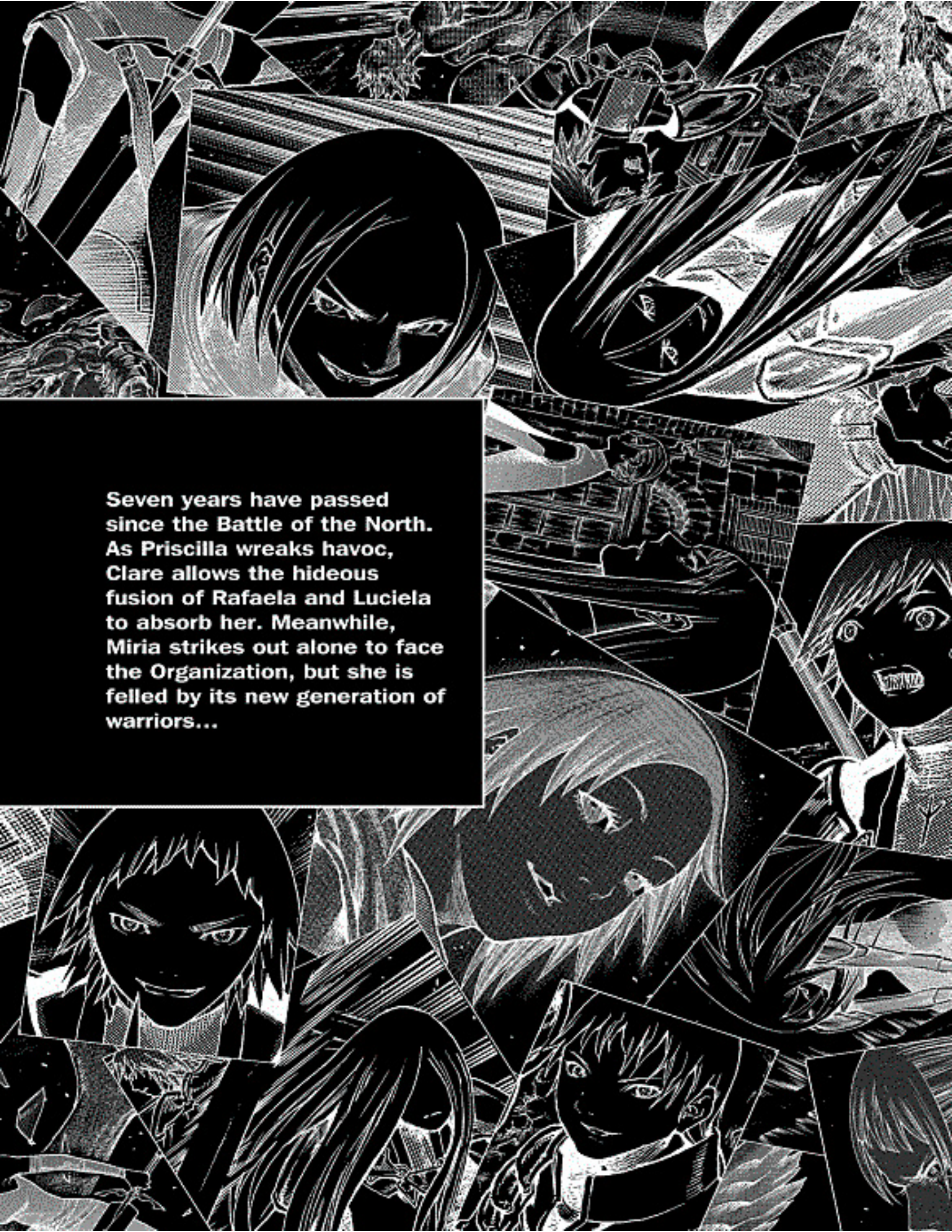
Remains of the Demon Claw

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The Story Thus Far

Creatures known as Yoma have long preyed on humans, who were once powerless against their predators. But now mankind has developed female warriors who are half human and half monster, with silver eyes that can see the monsters' true form. These warriors came to be called Claymores after the immense broadswords that they carried.



Seven years have passed since the Battle of the North. As Priscilla wreaks havoc, Clare allows the hideous fusion of Rafaela and Luciela to absorb her. Meanwhile, Miria strikes out alone to face the Organization, but she is felled by its new generation of warriors...

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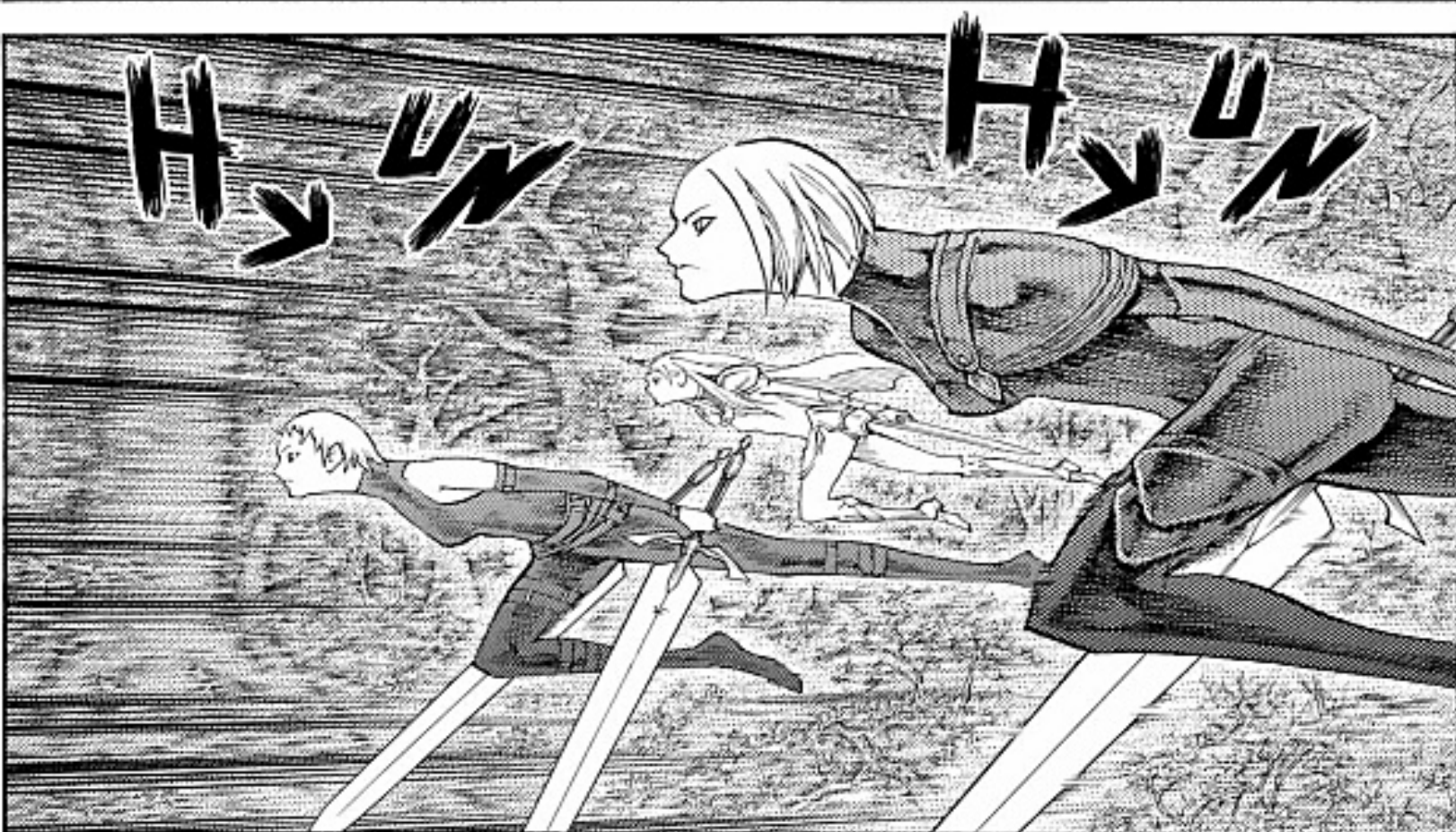
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SCENE 108: PHANTOMS IN THE HEART, PART 3



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**...IS
SURGING
INTO
THE HOLY
CITY OF
RABONA!**

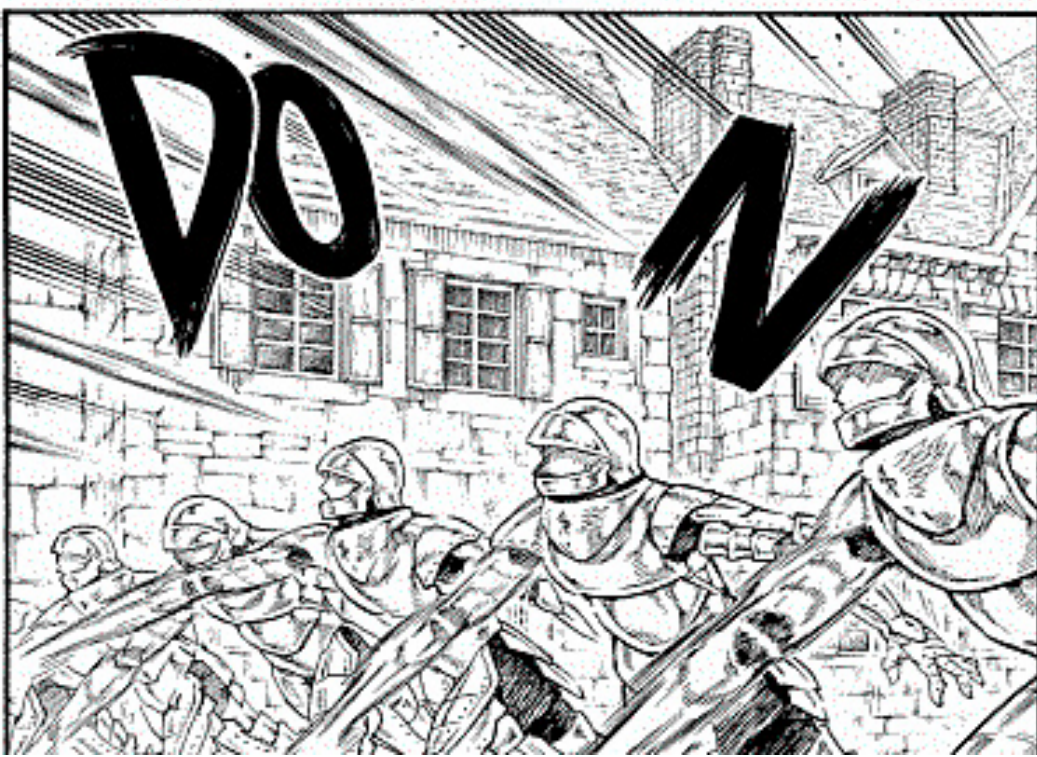
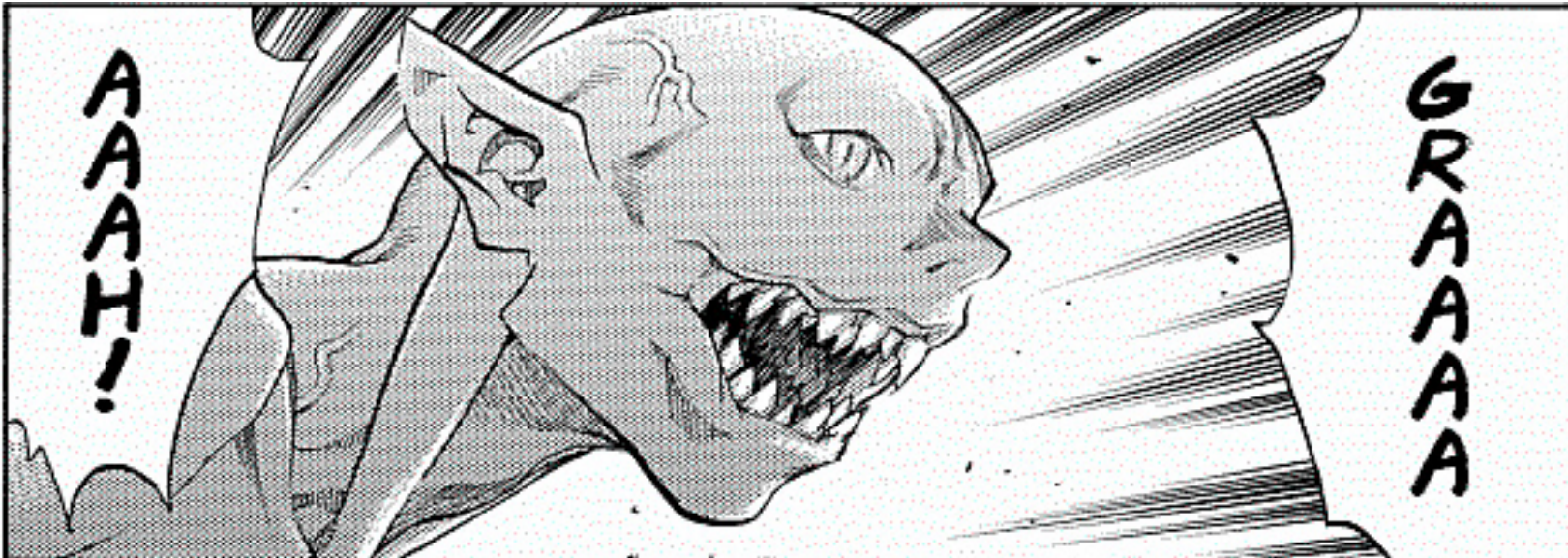


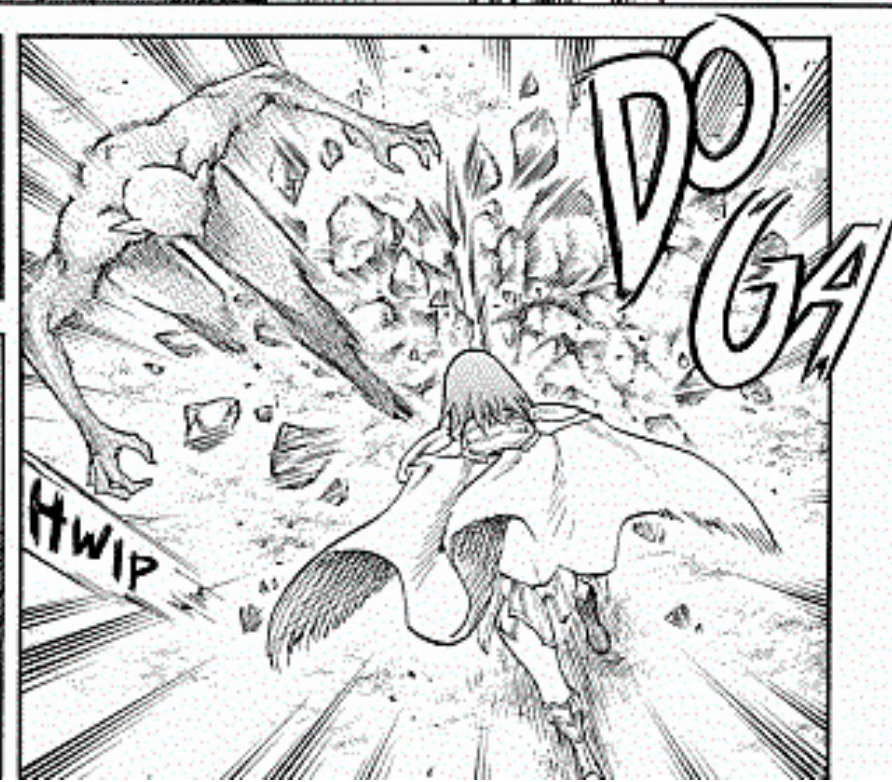
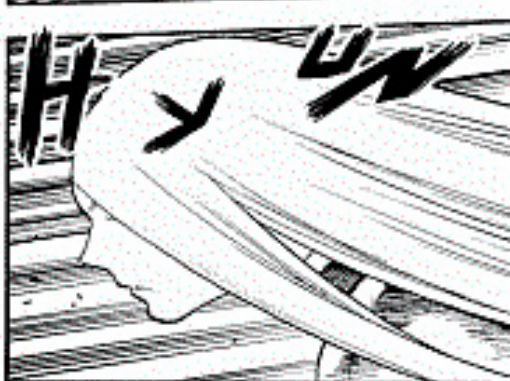
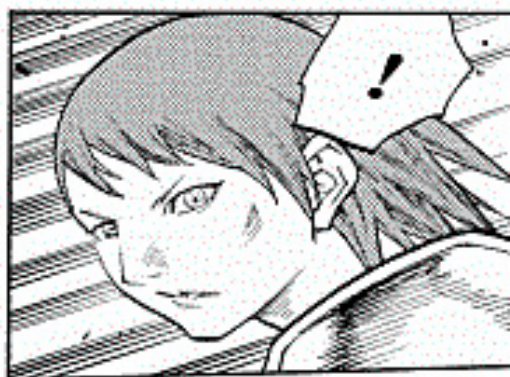
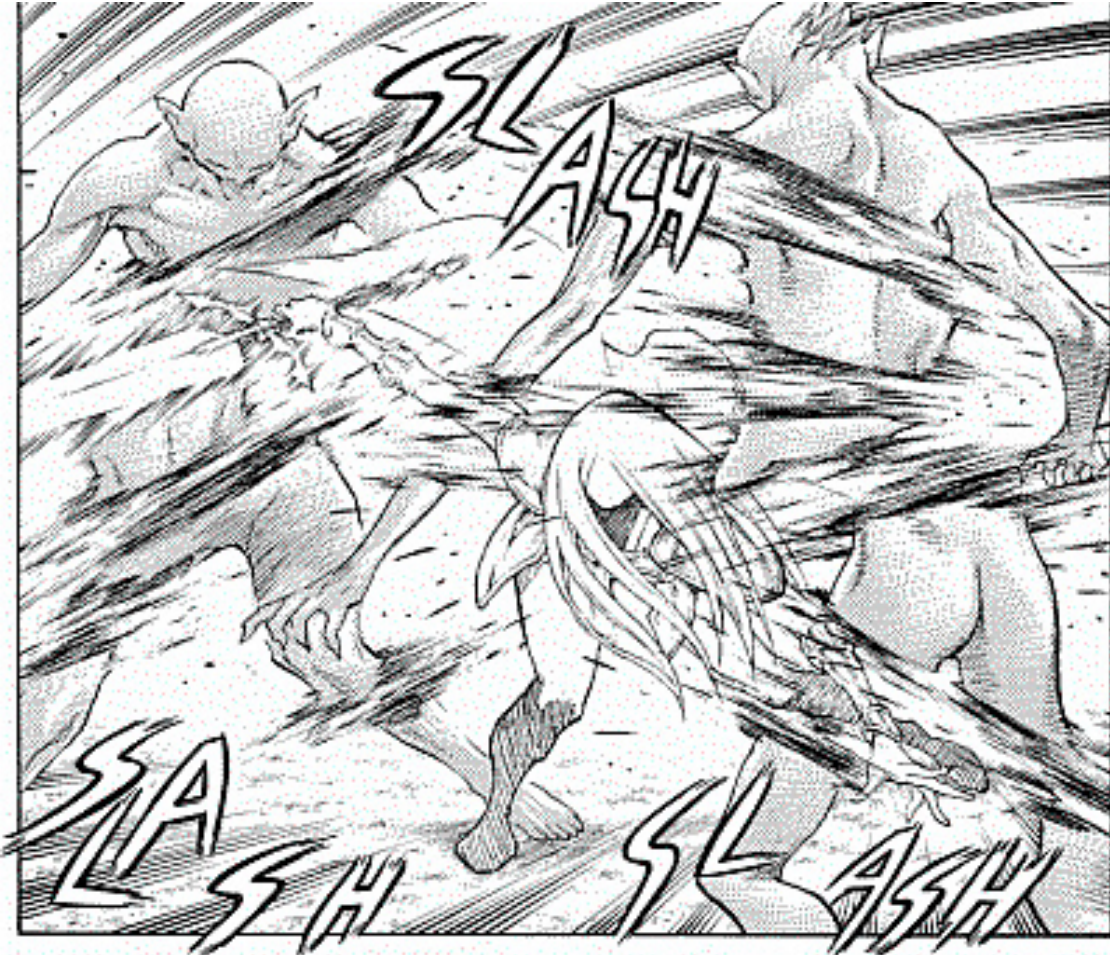
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OF YOMA
AND
AWAKENED
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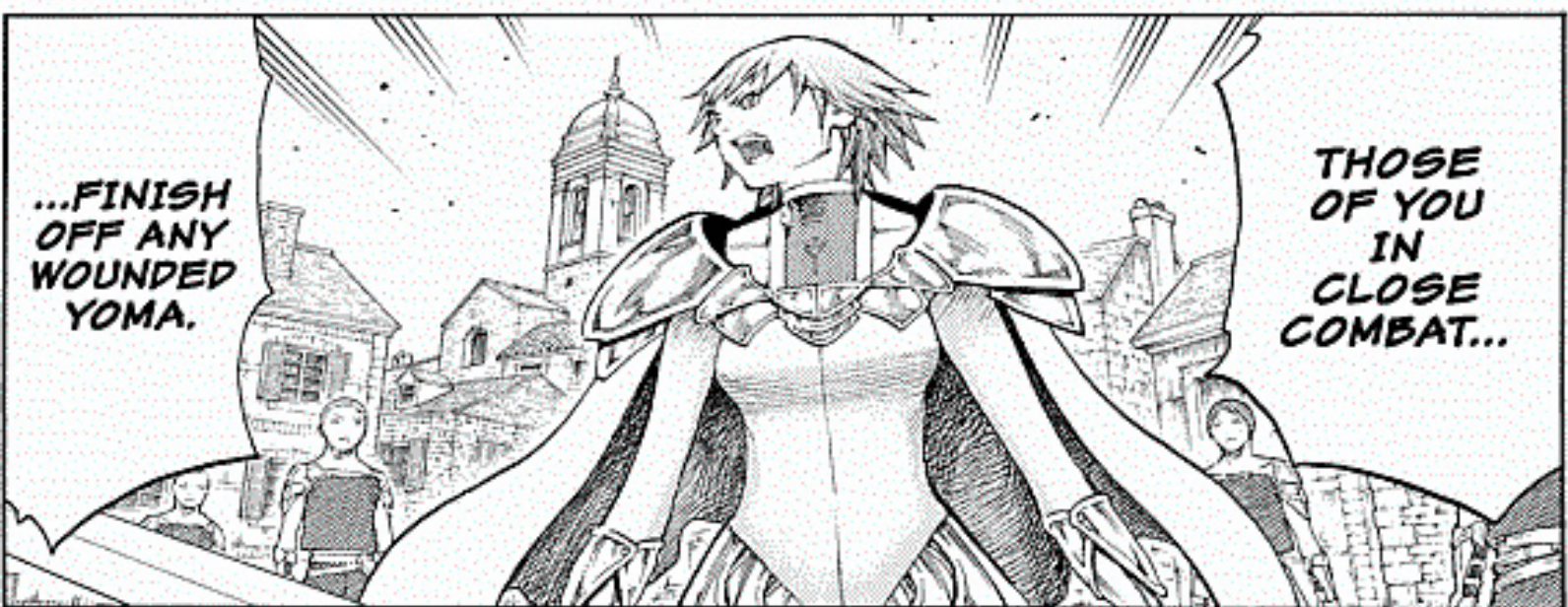
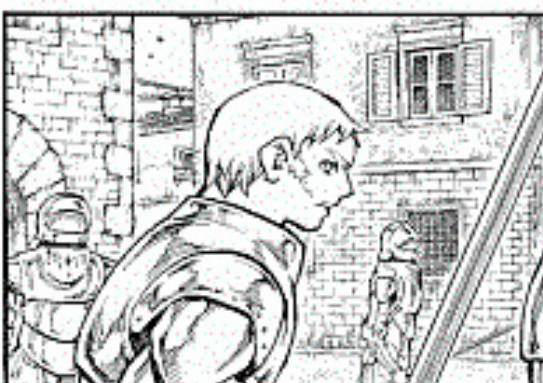


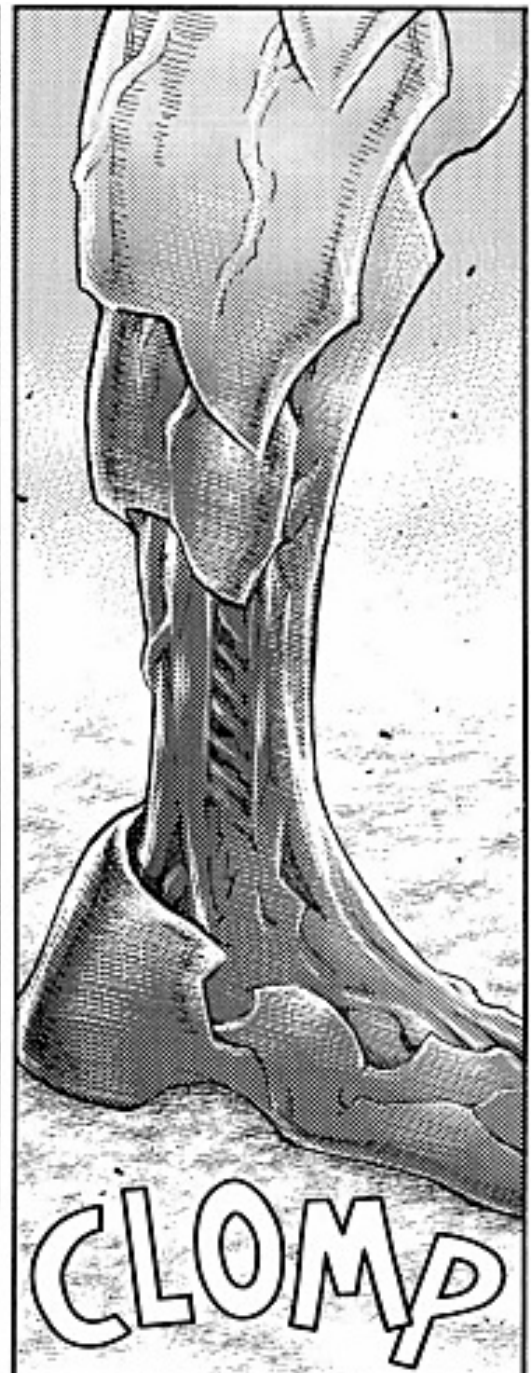
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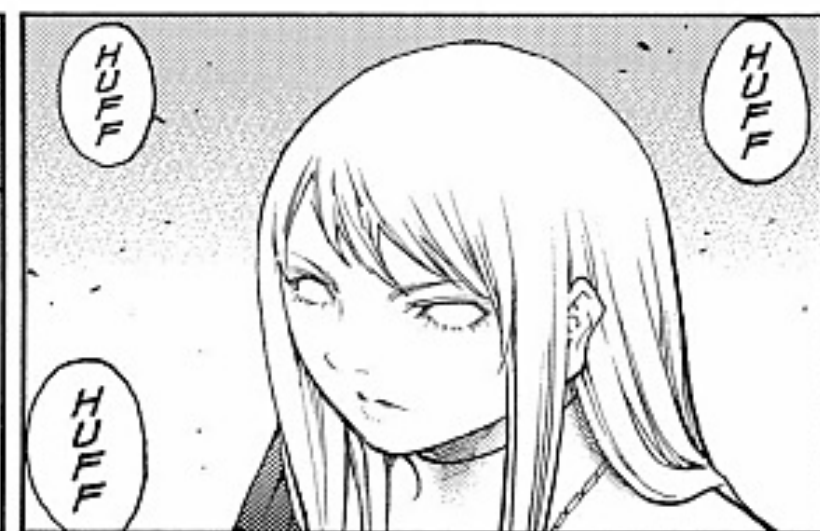
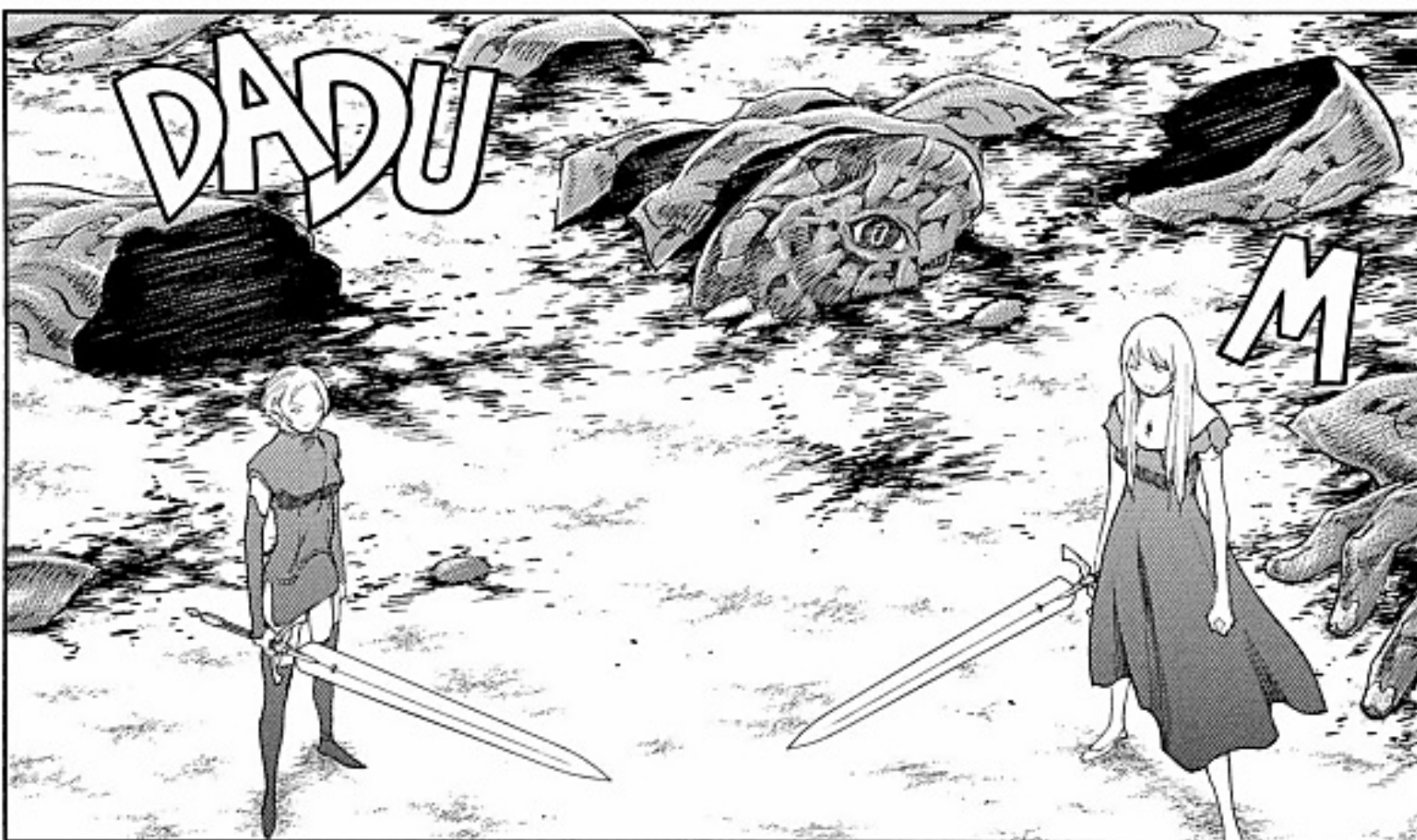
**WHAT
HAPPENED
HERE?**

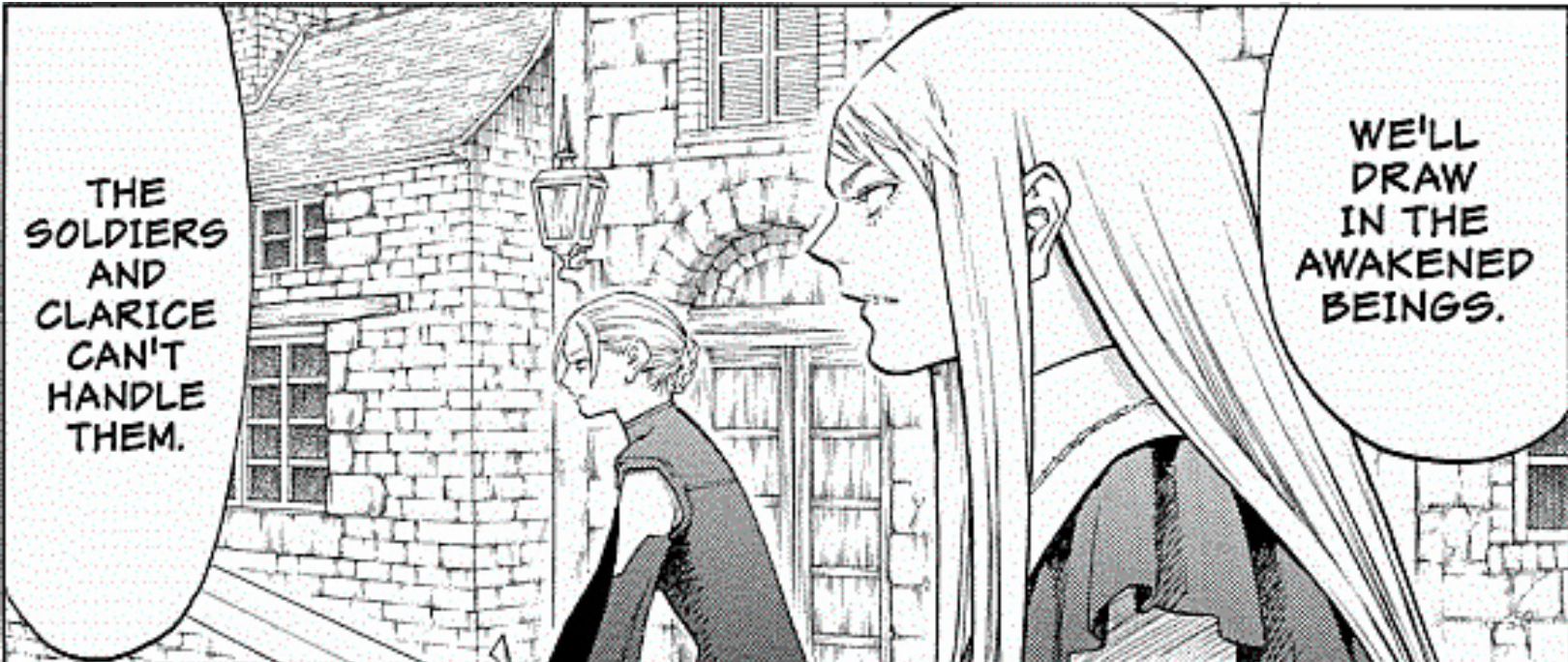






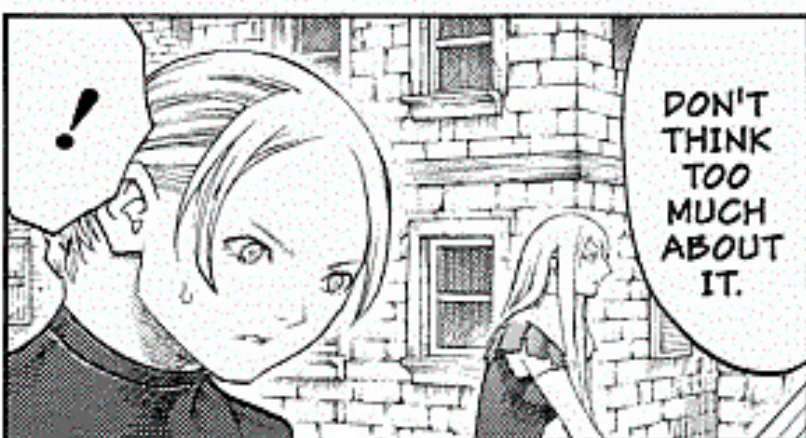




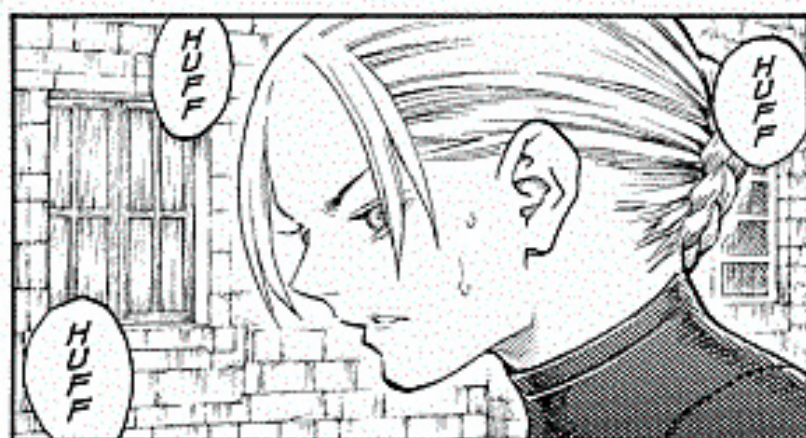


THE
SOLDIERS
AND
CLARICE
CAN'T
HANDLE
THEM.

WE'LL
DRAW
IN THE
AWAKENED
BEINGS.



DON'T
THINK
TOO
MUCH
ABOUT
IT.



HUFF

HUFF

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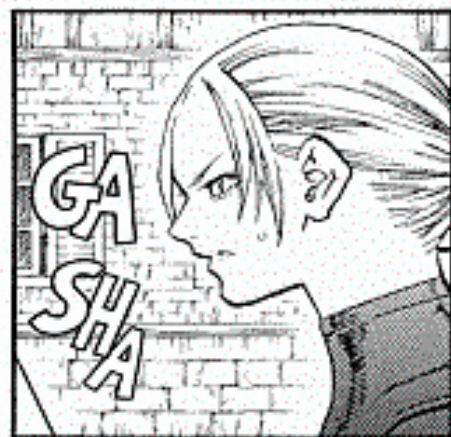
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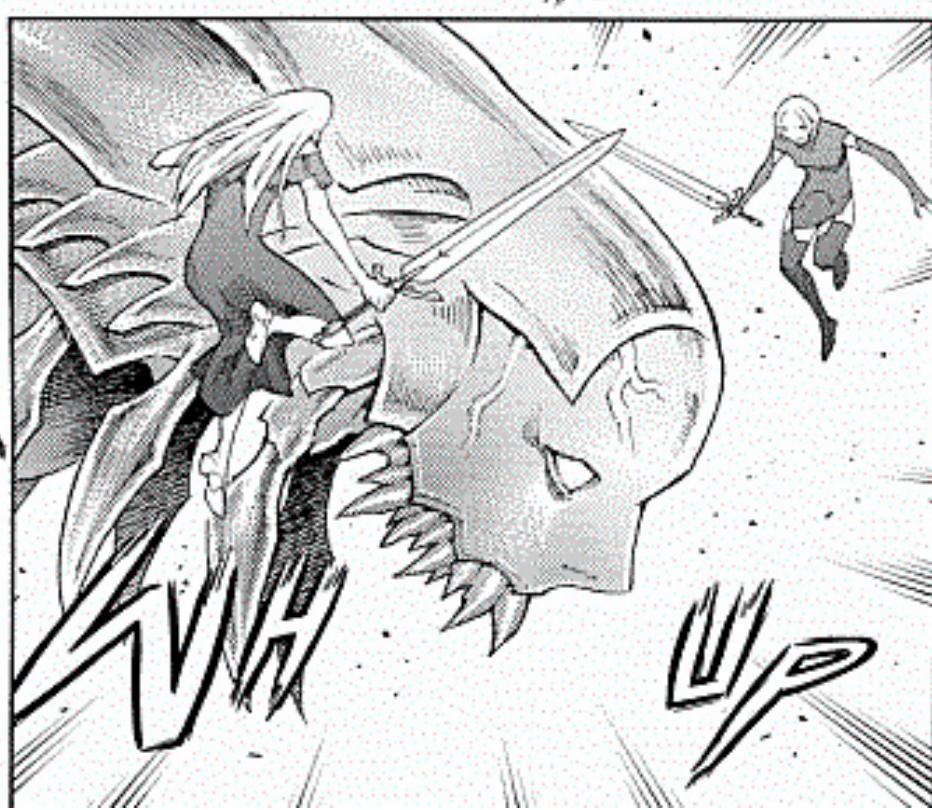
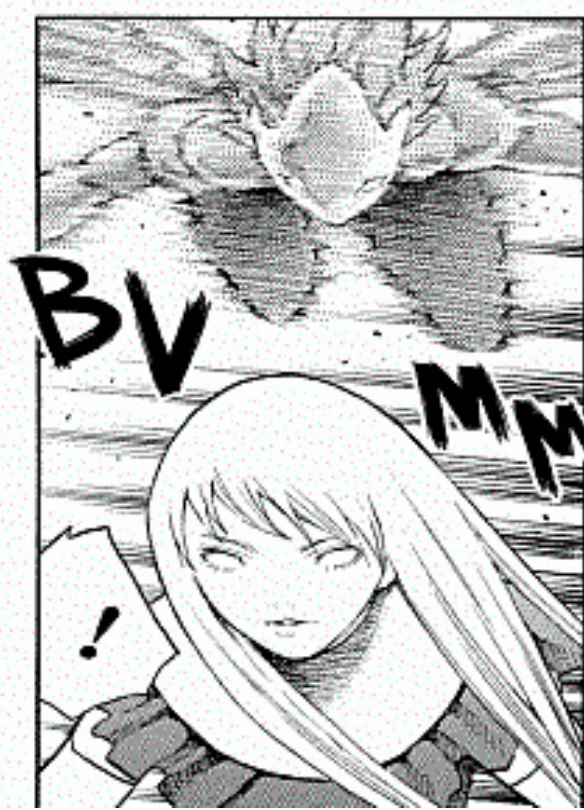
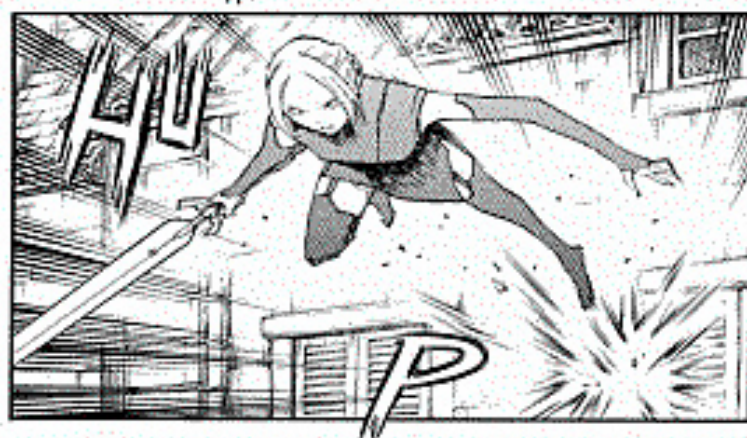
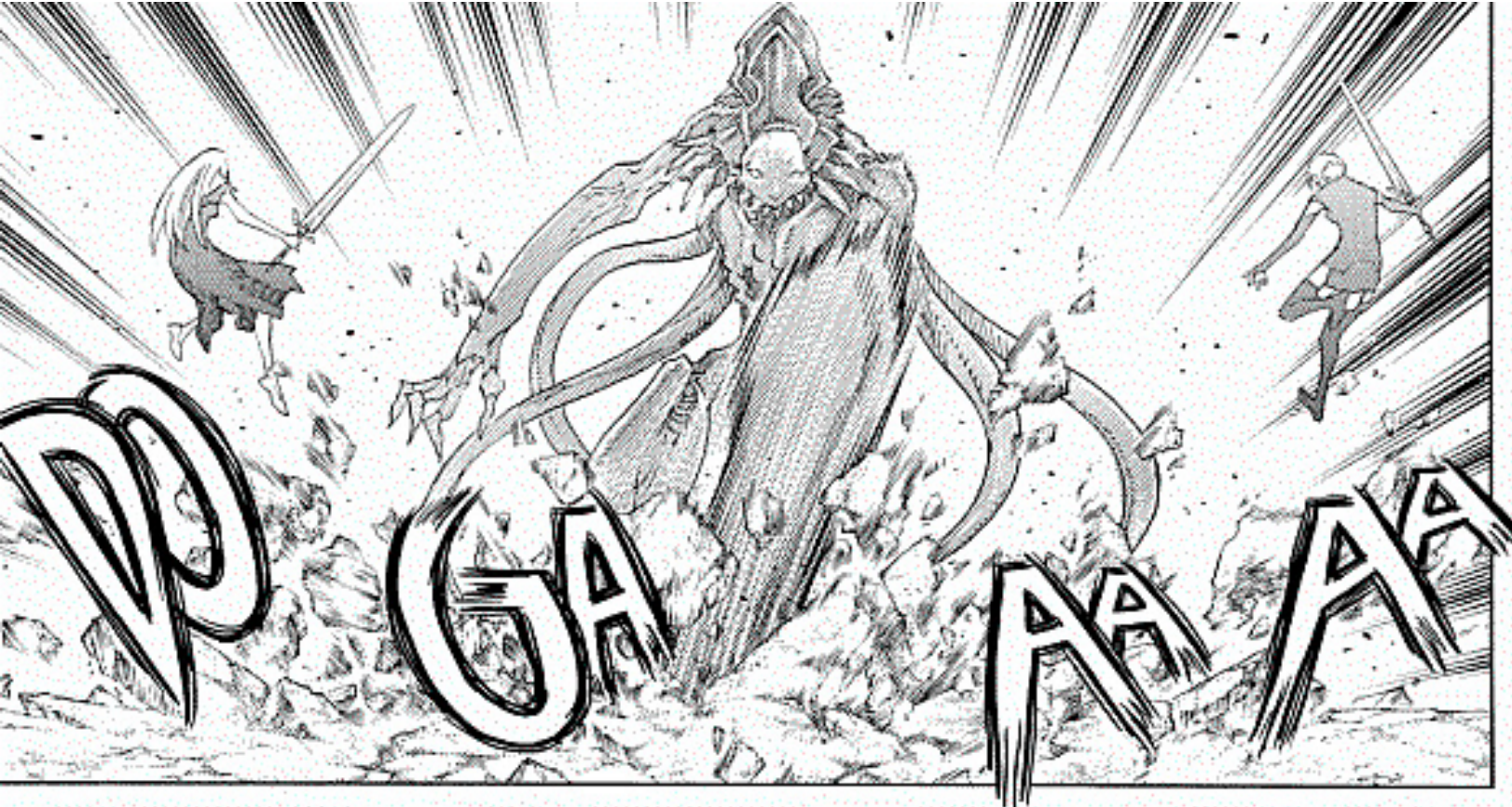


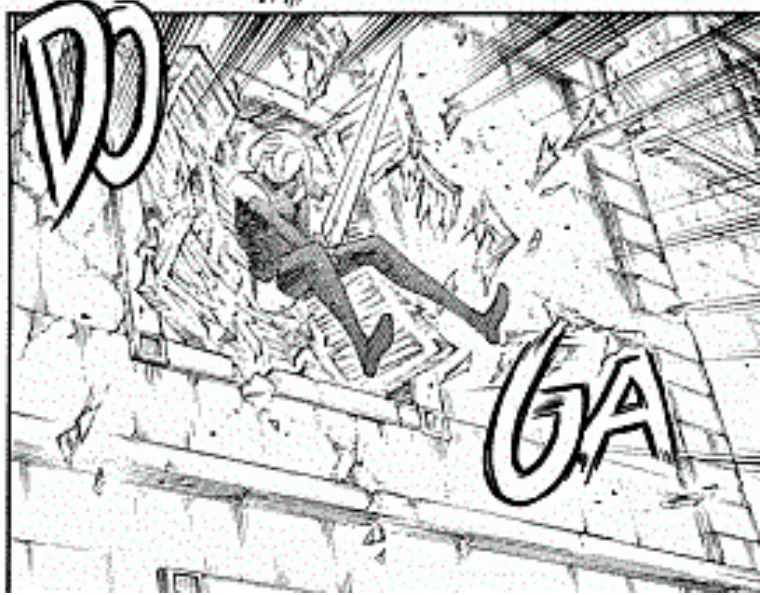
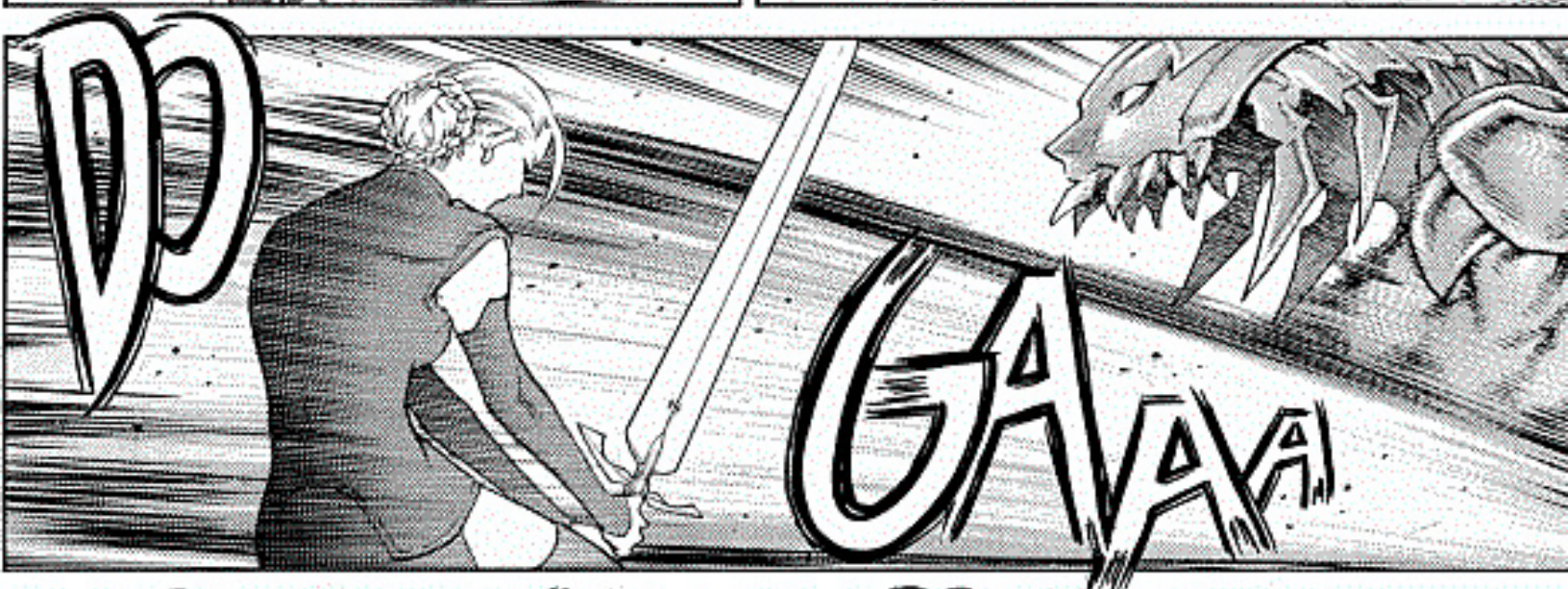
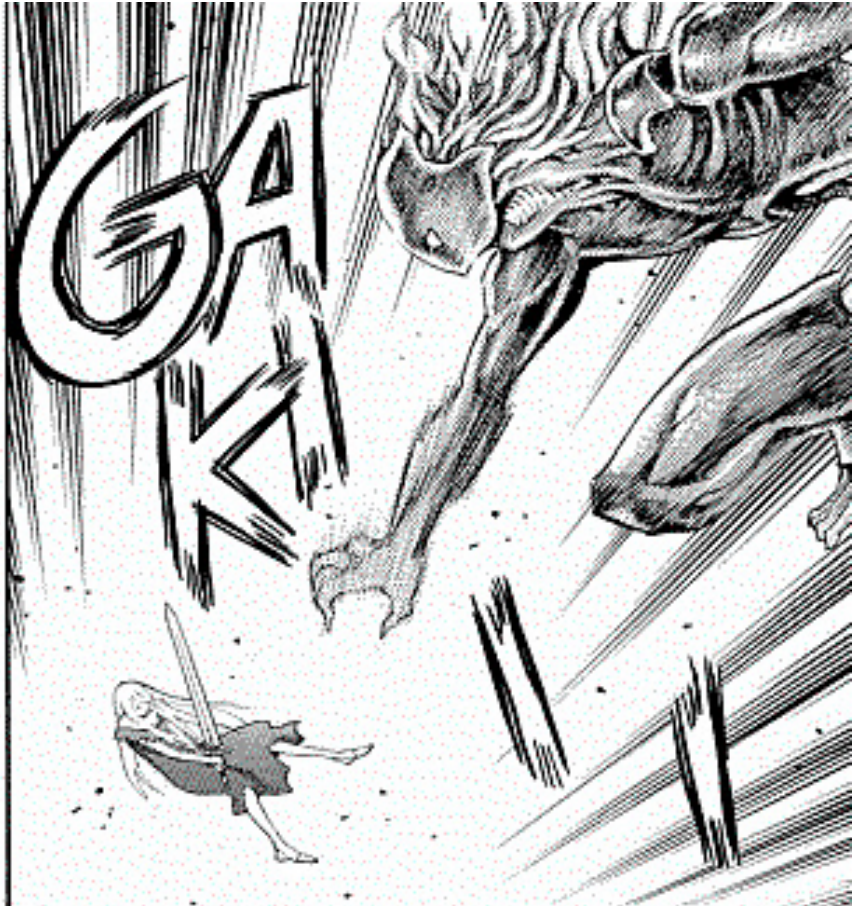
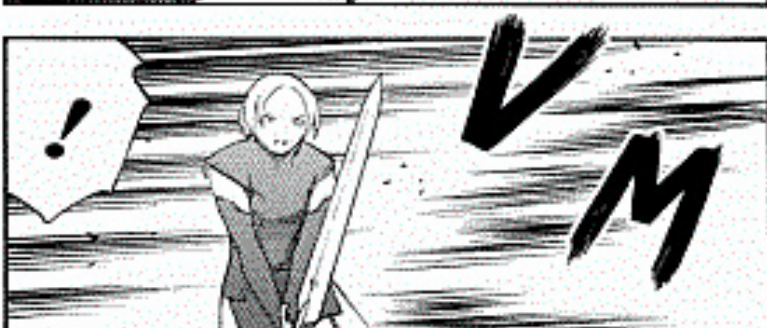
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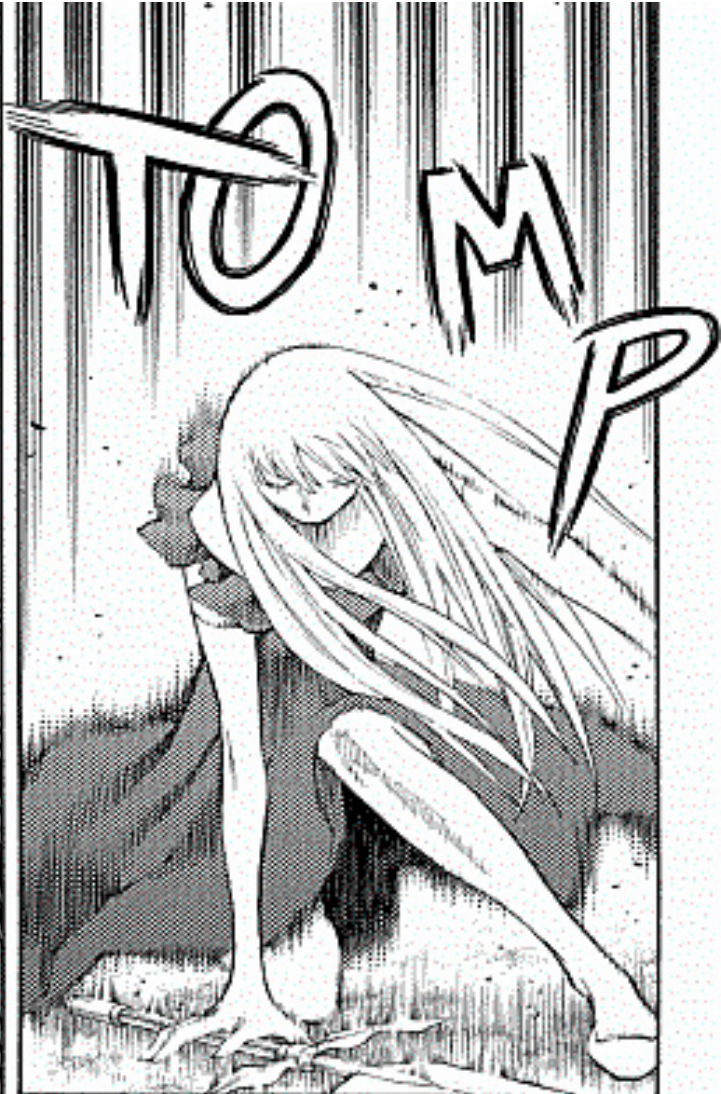


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NOW...

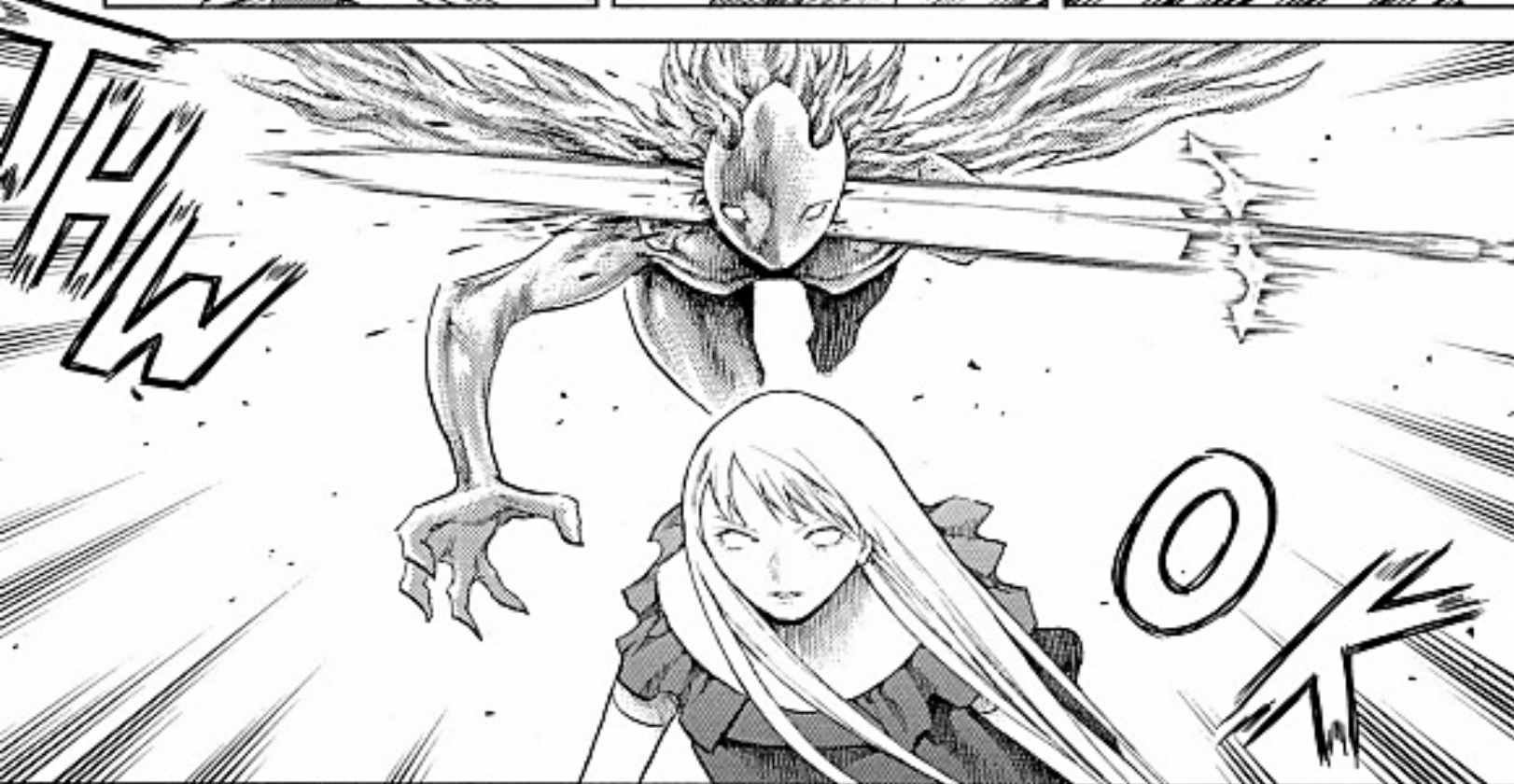
...JUST
CONCEN-
TRATE
ON WIPING
OUT THE
ENEMIES
IN FRONT
OF YOU.

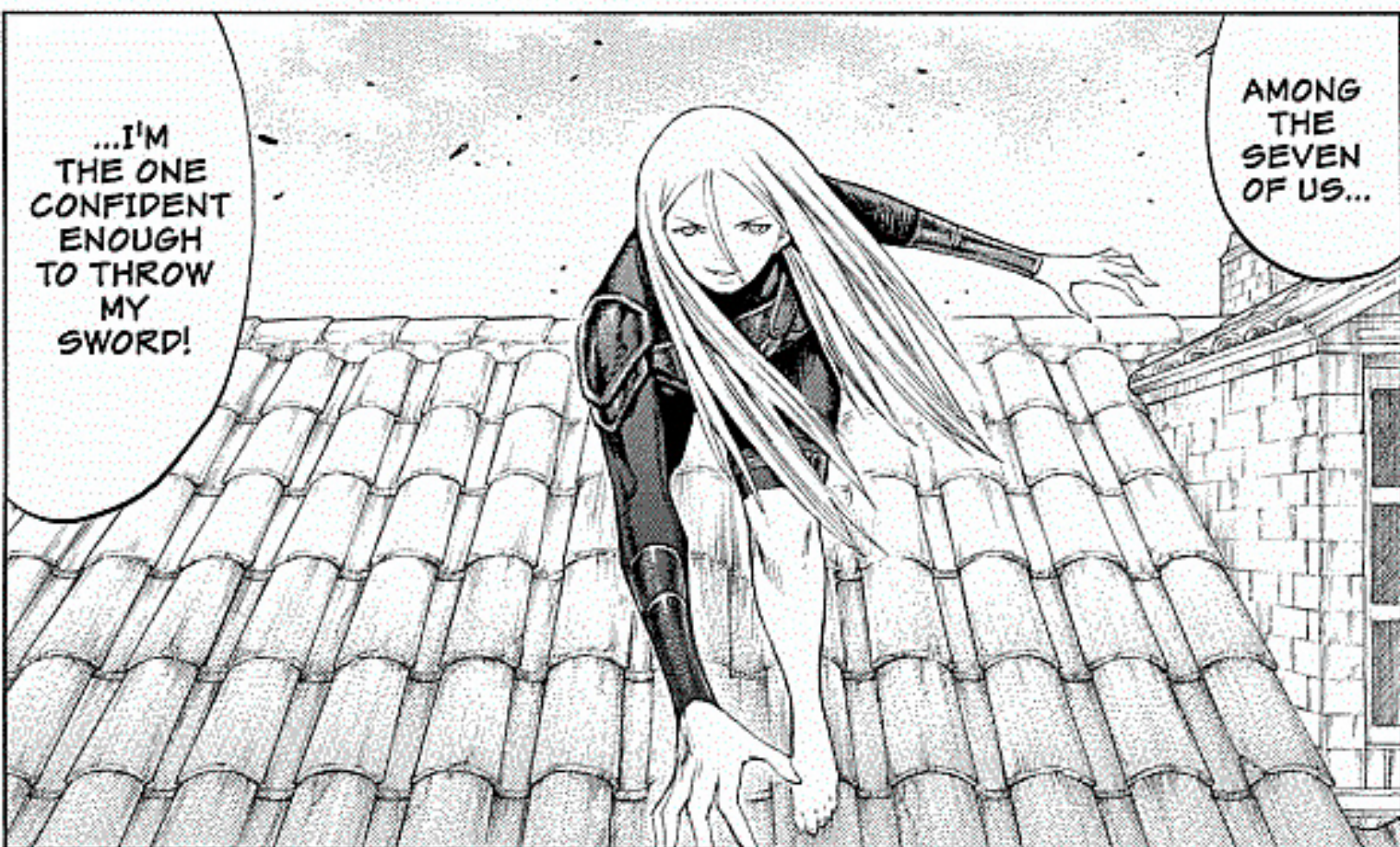
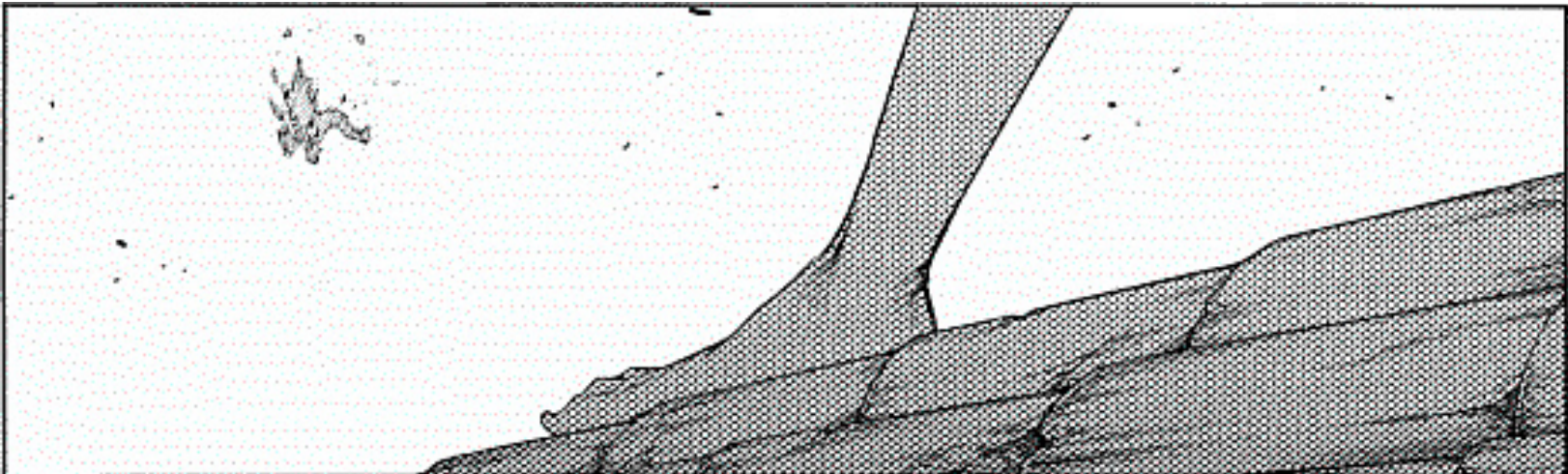






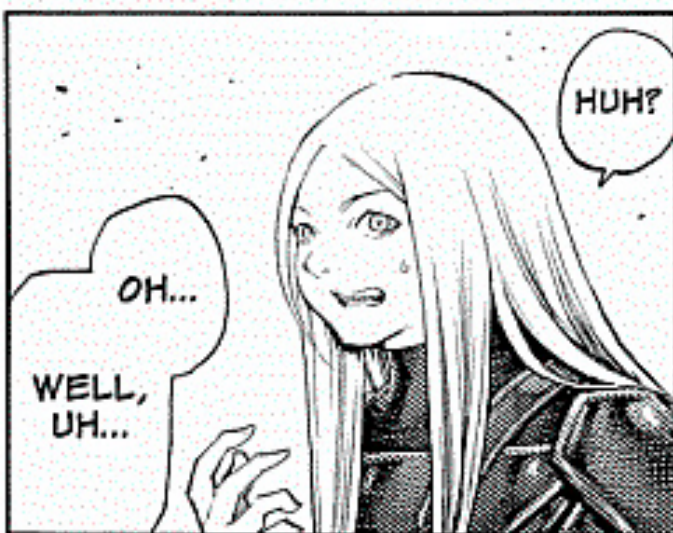






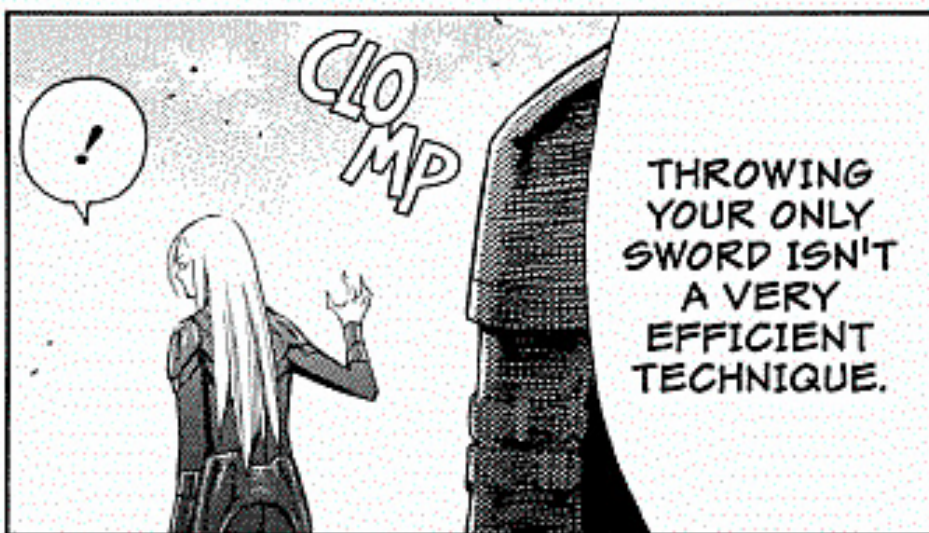
...I'M
THE ONE
CONFIDENT
ENOUGH
TO THROW
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AMONG
THE
SEVEN
OF US...



OH...
WELL,
UH...

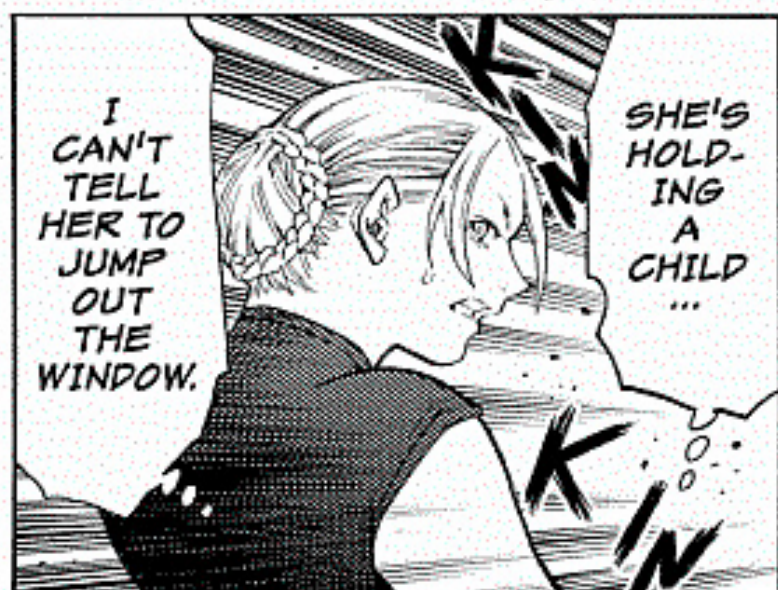
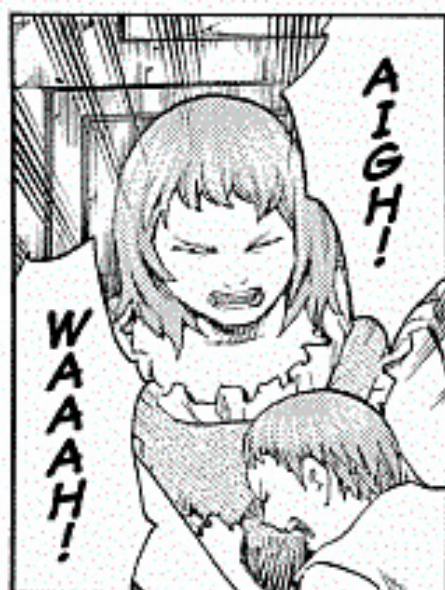
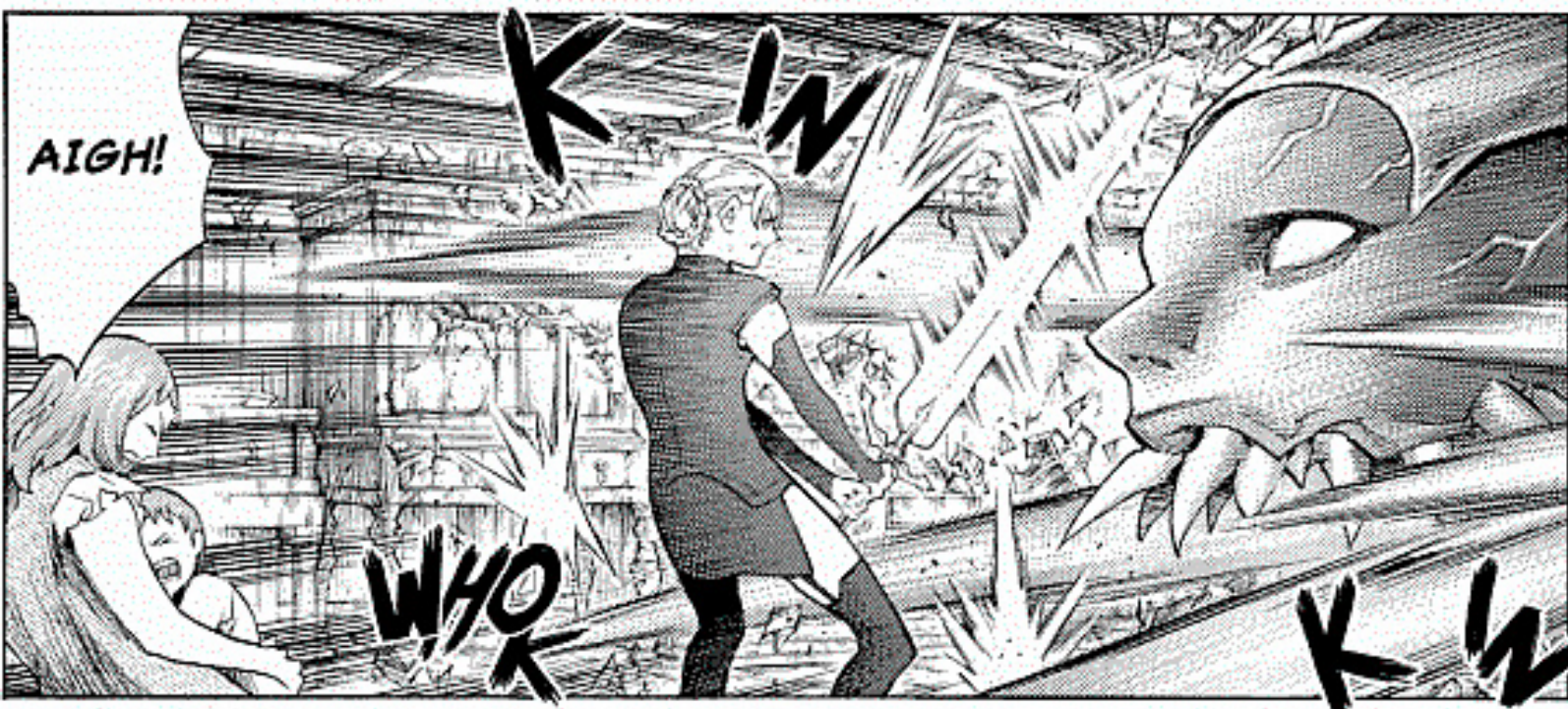
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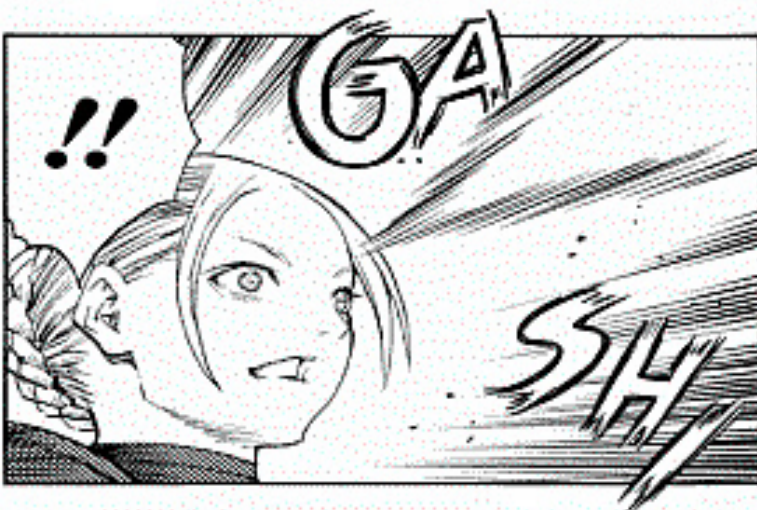
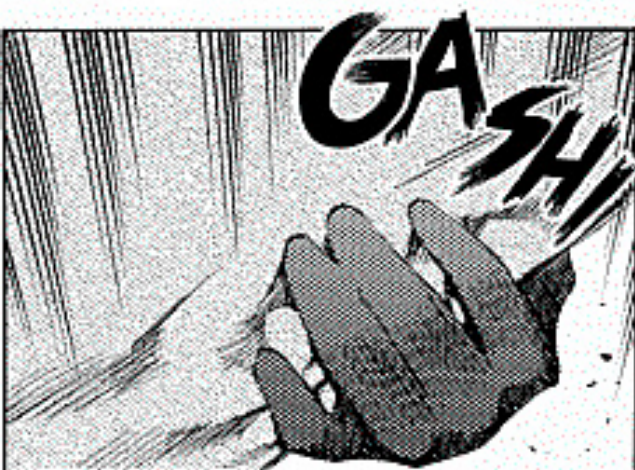
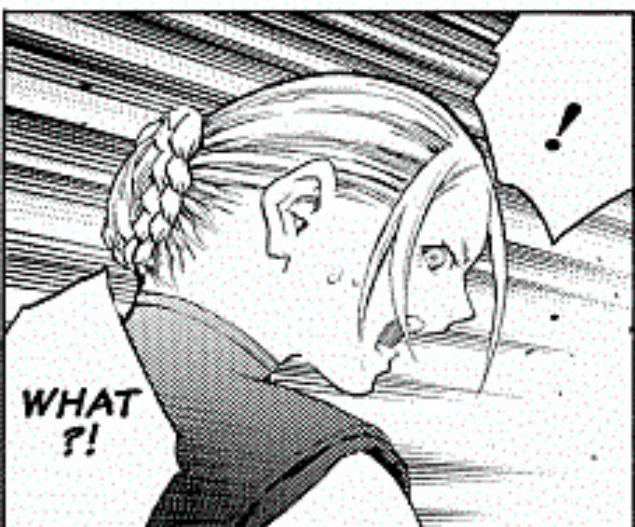


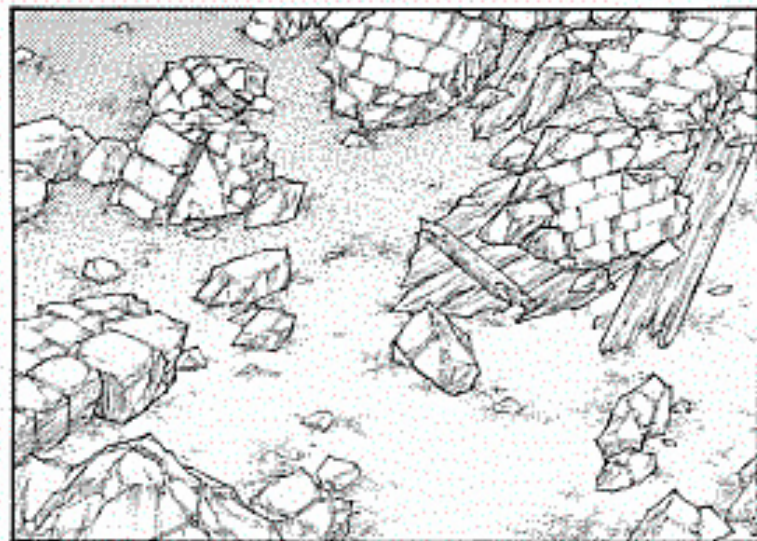
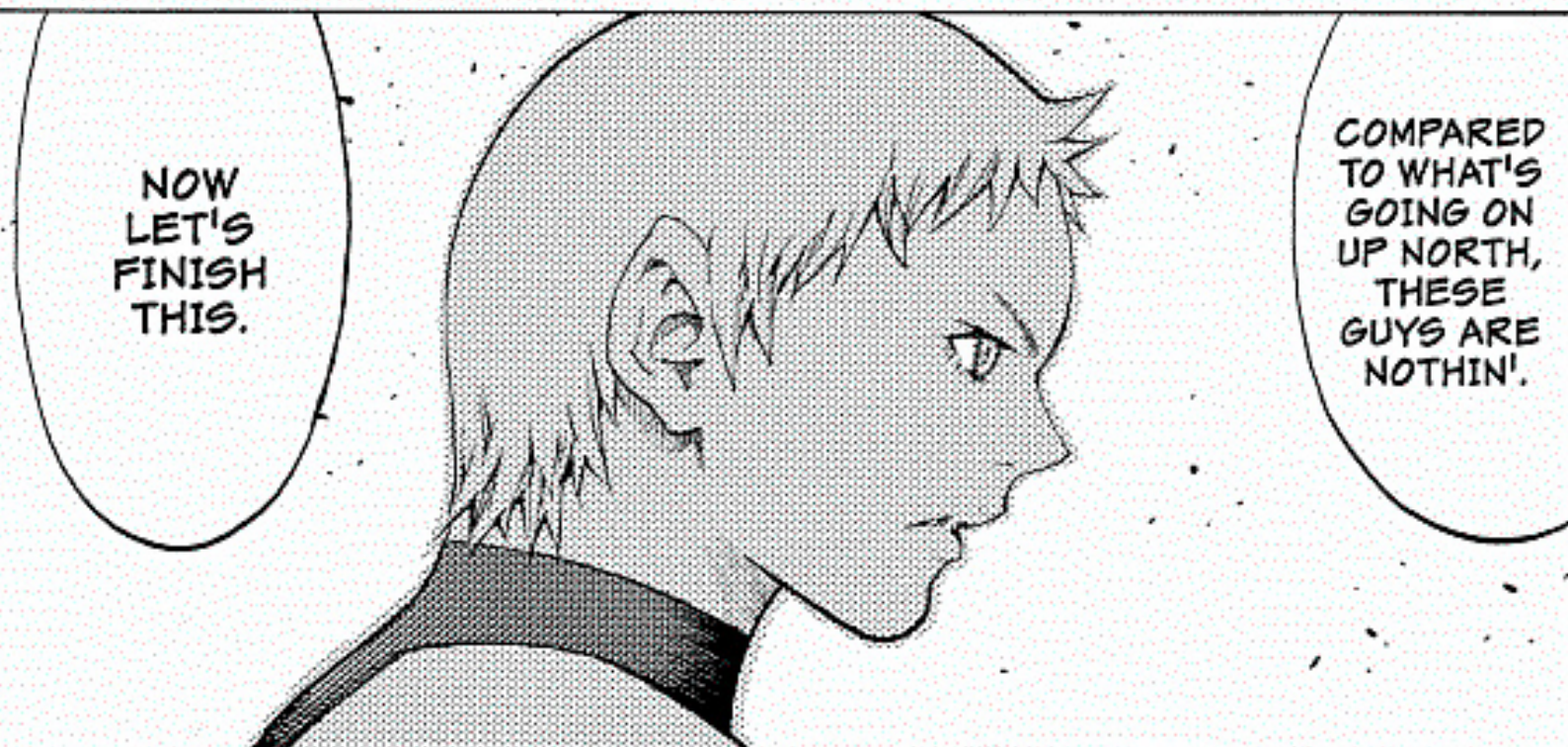
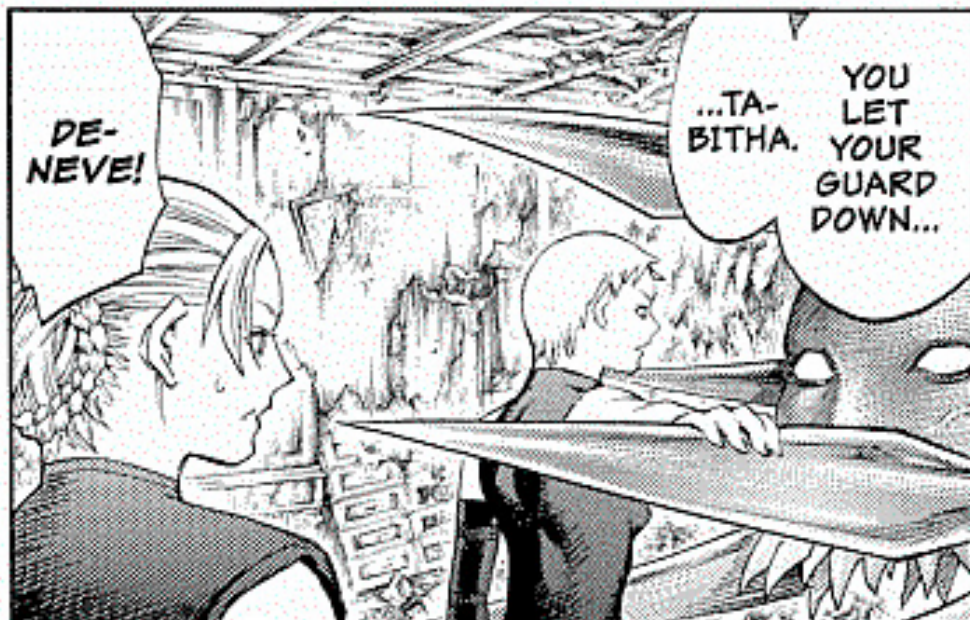
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CLOMP

THROWING
YOUR ONLY
SWORD ISN'T
A VERY
EFFICIENT
TECHNIQUE.





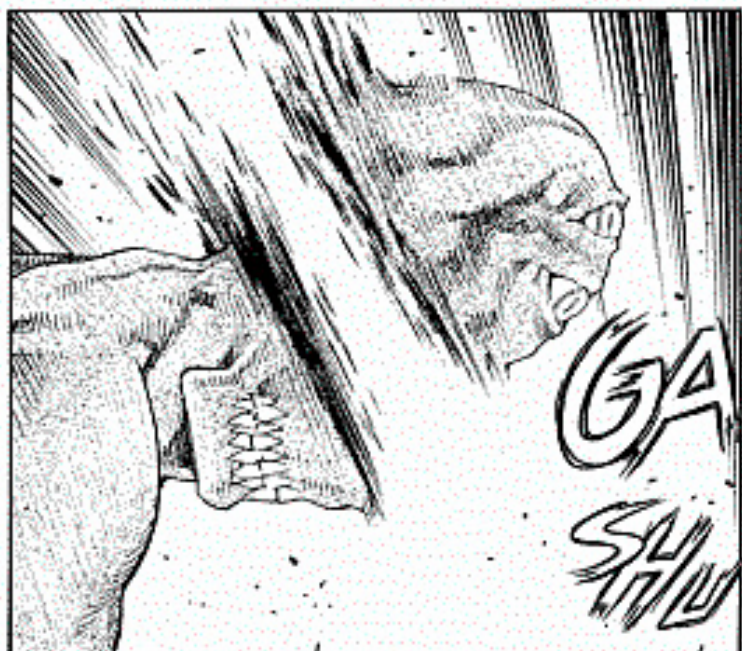
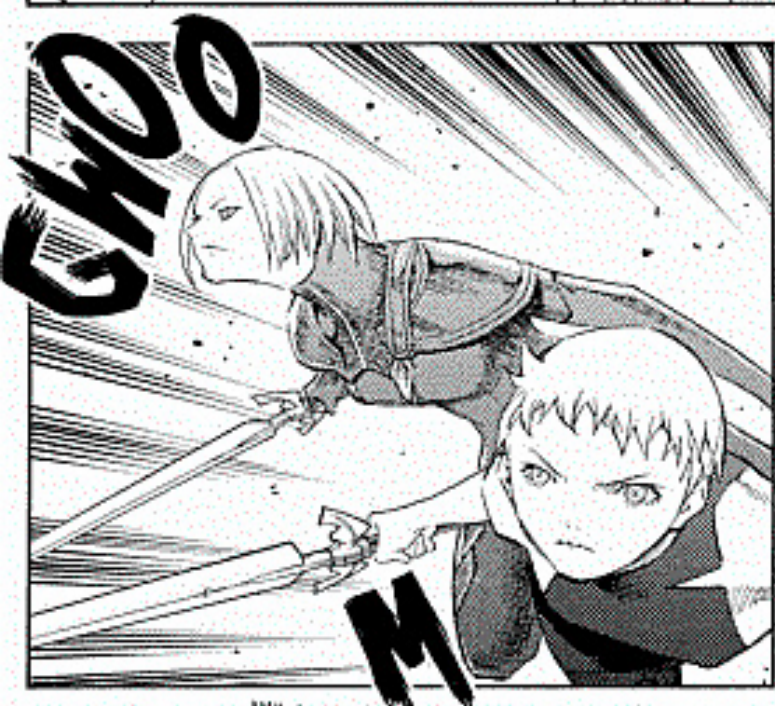






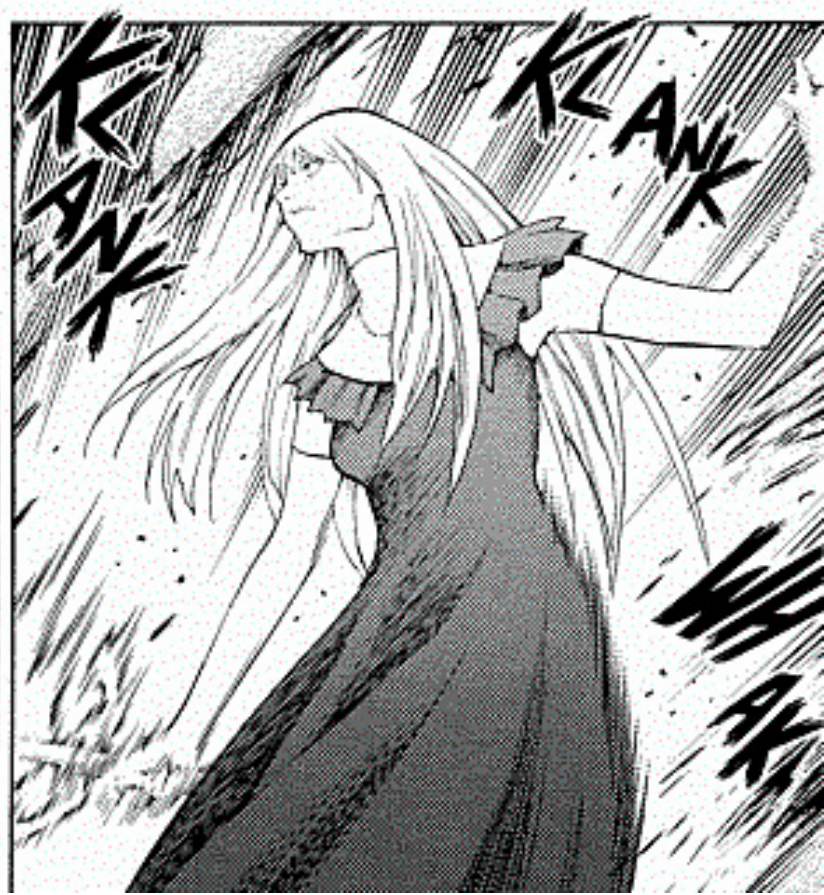
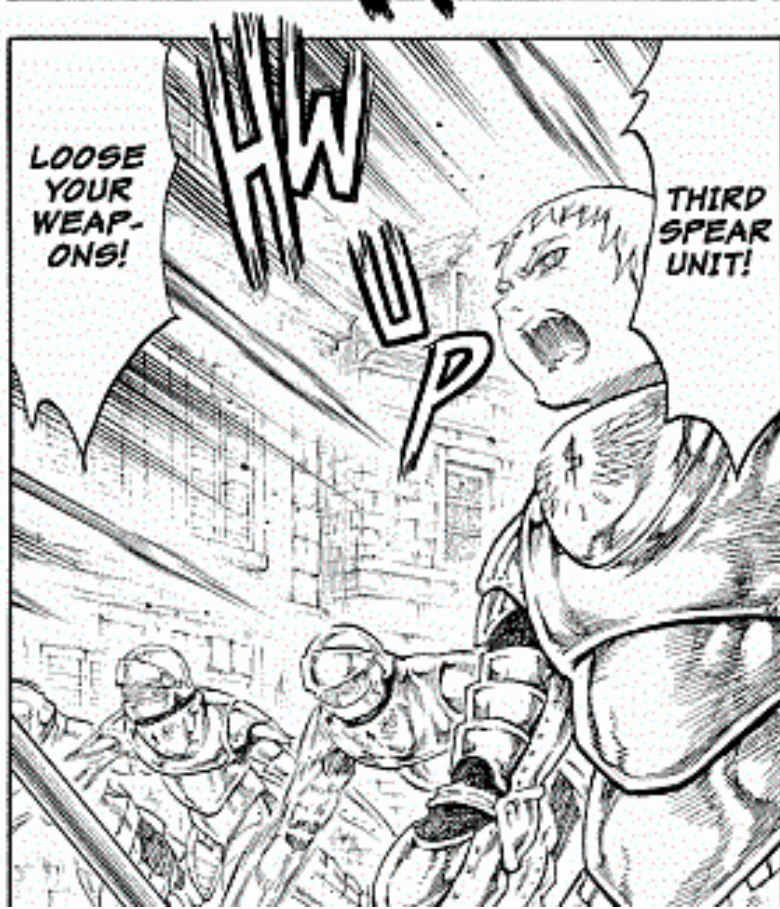
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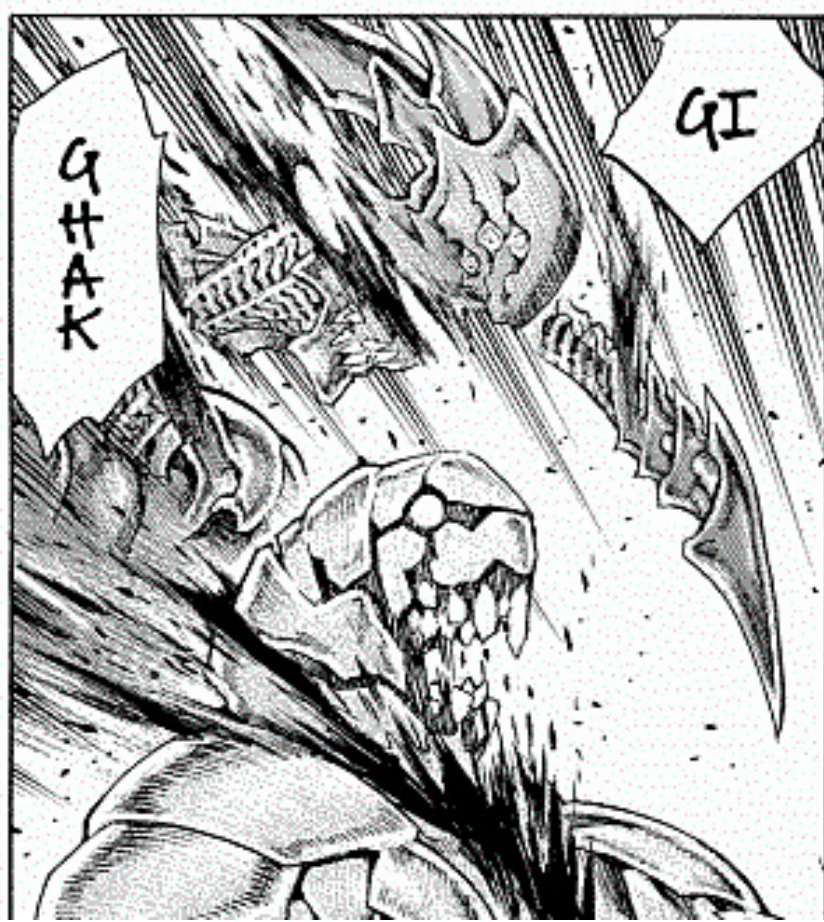
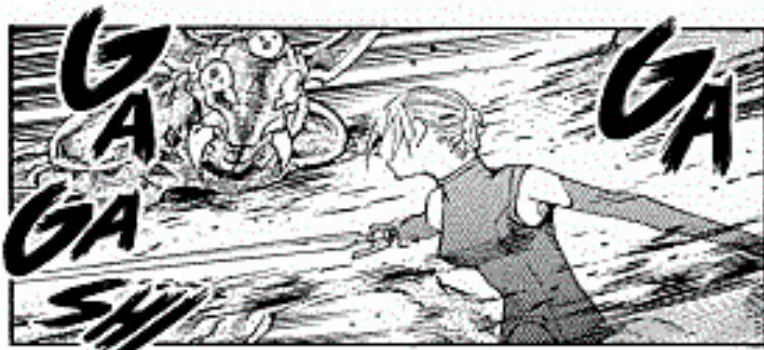
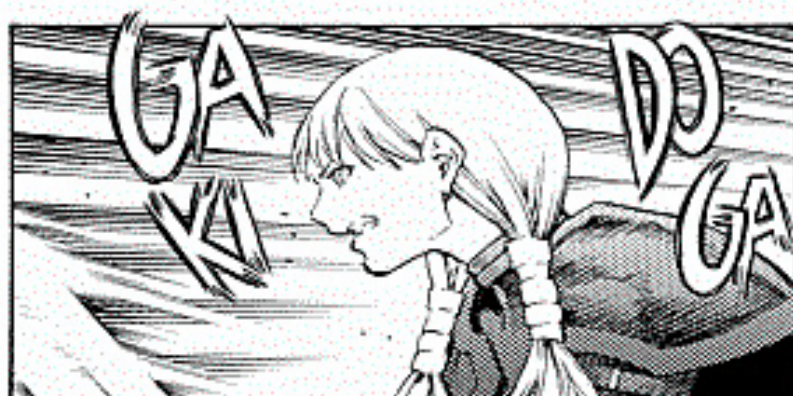
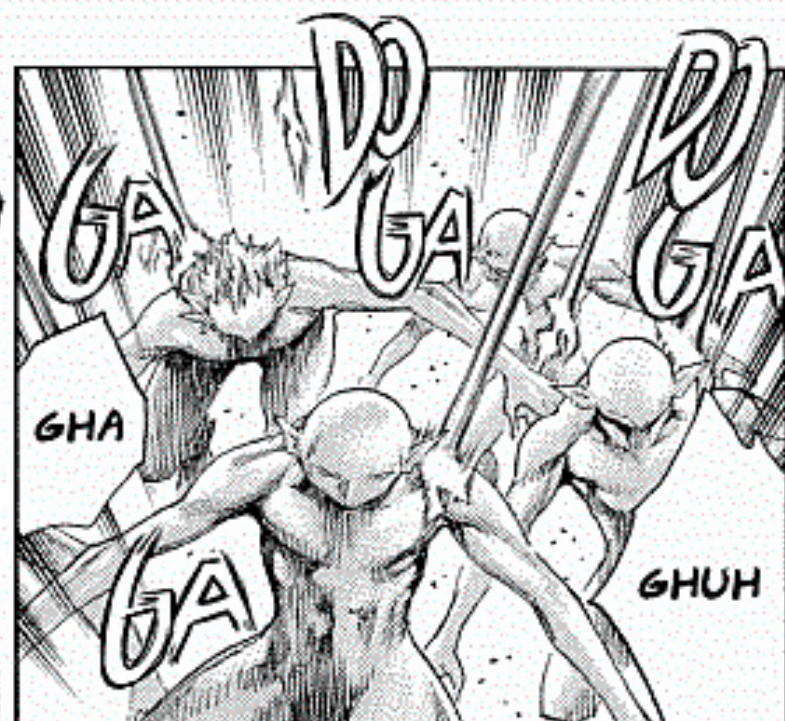
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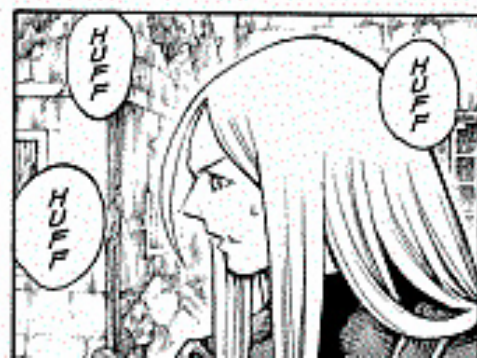
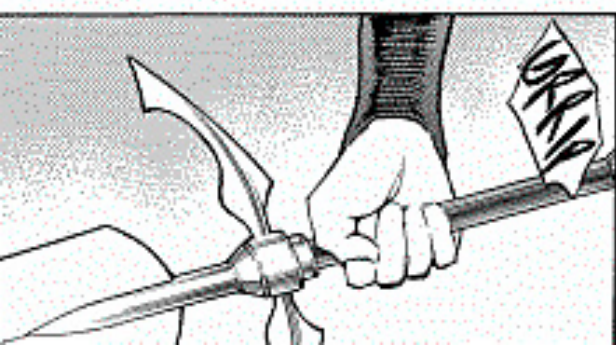
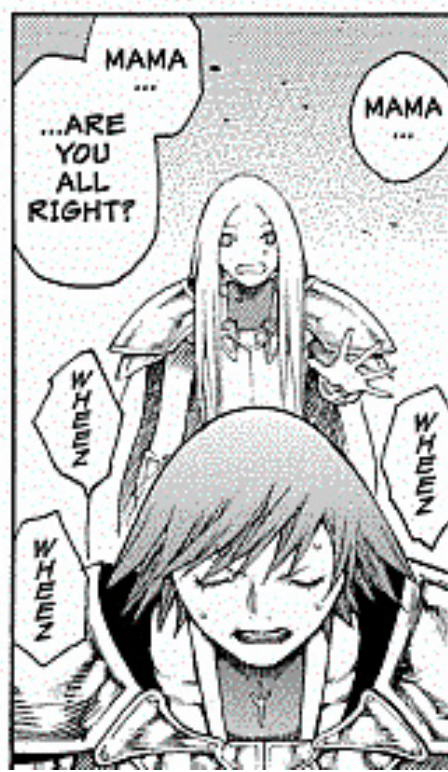
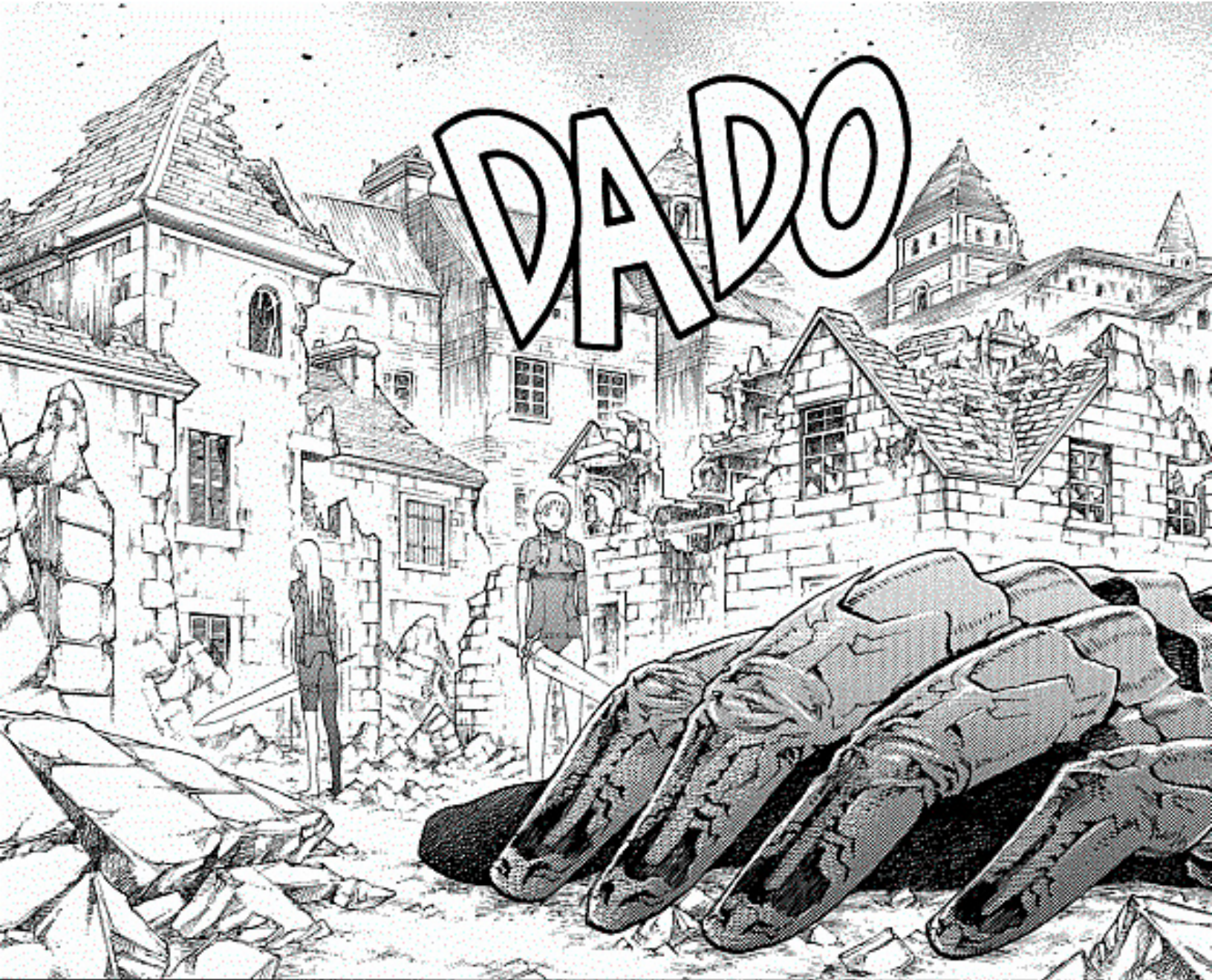


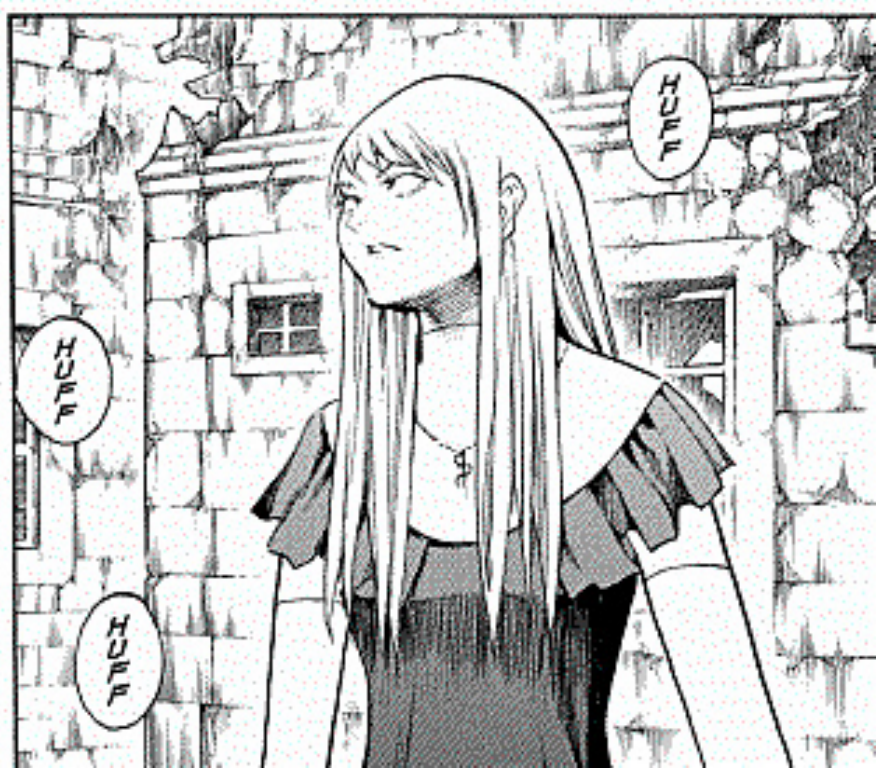
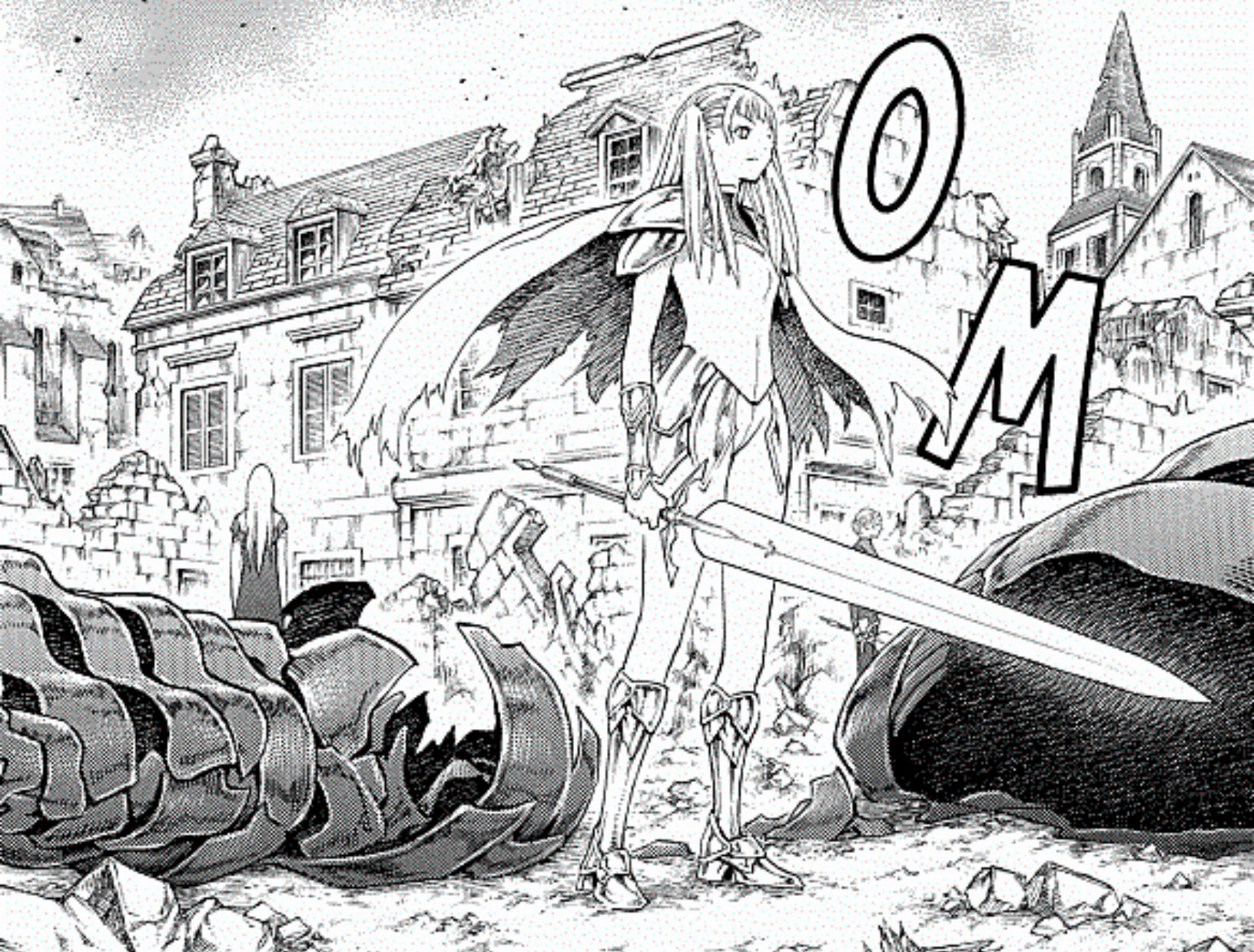
LOOSE
YOUR
WEAP-
ONS!

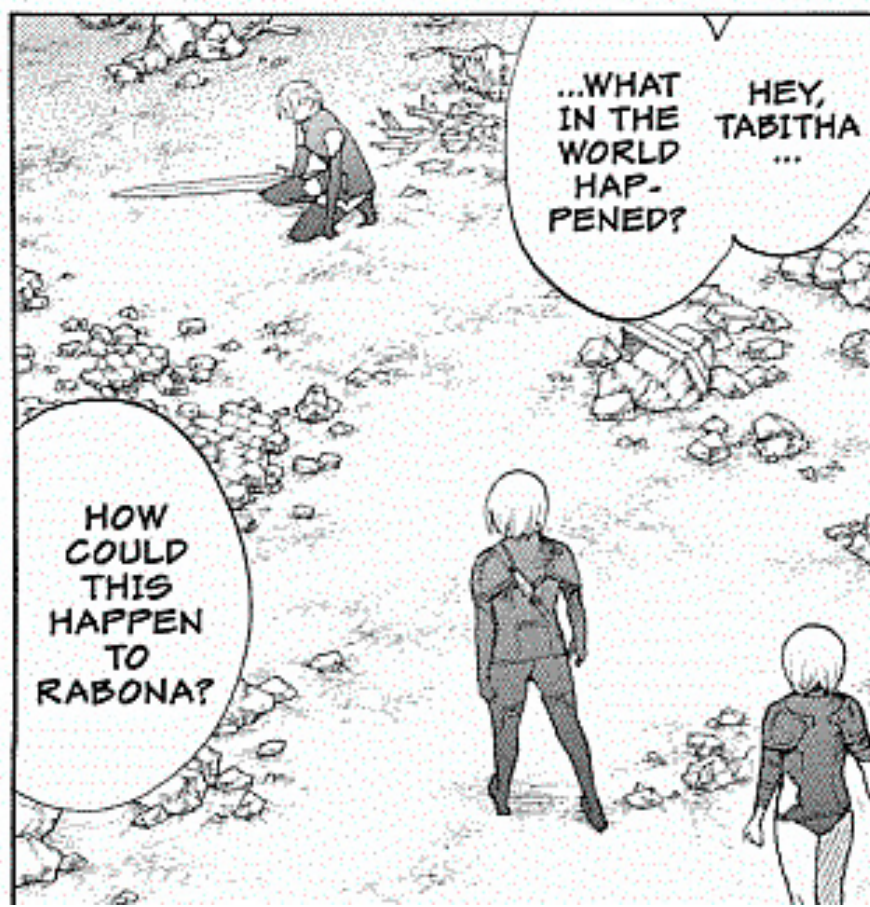
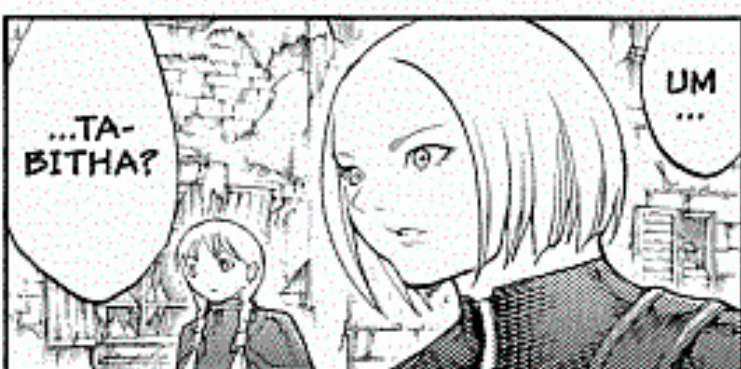
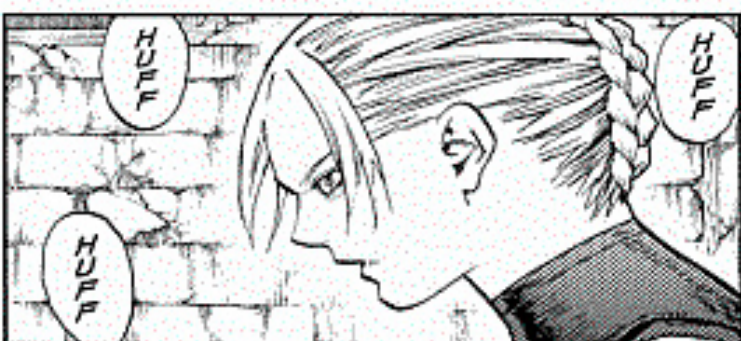
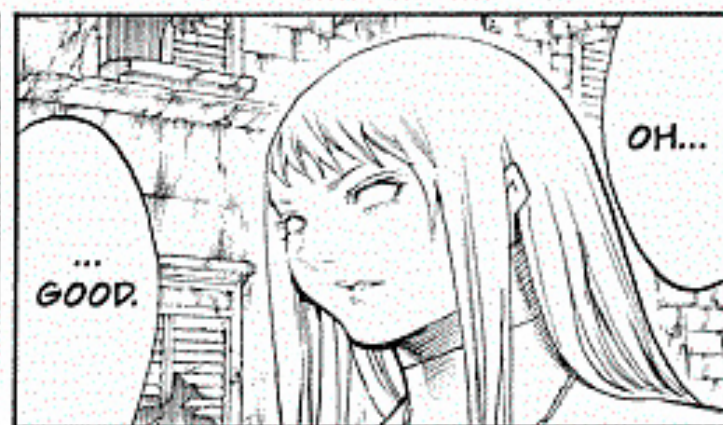
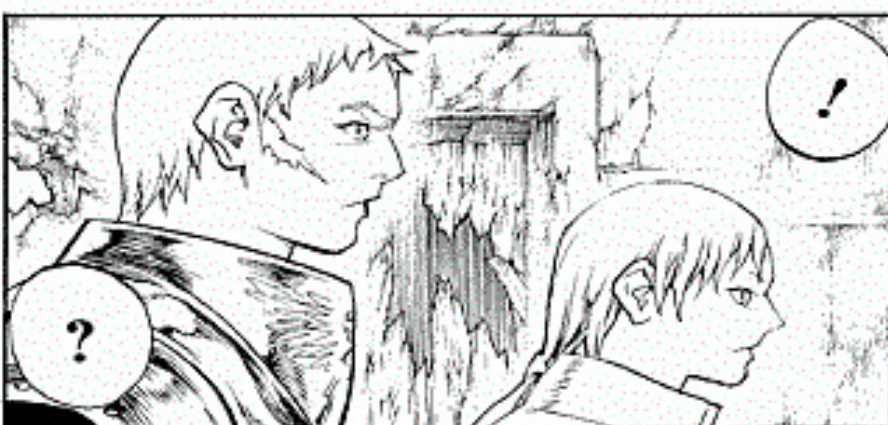
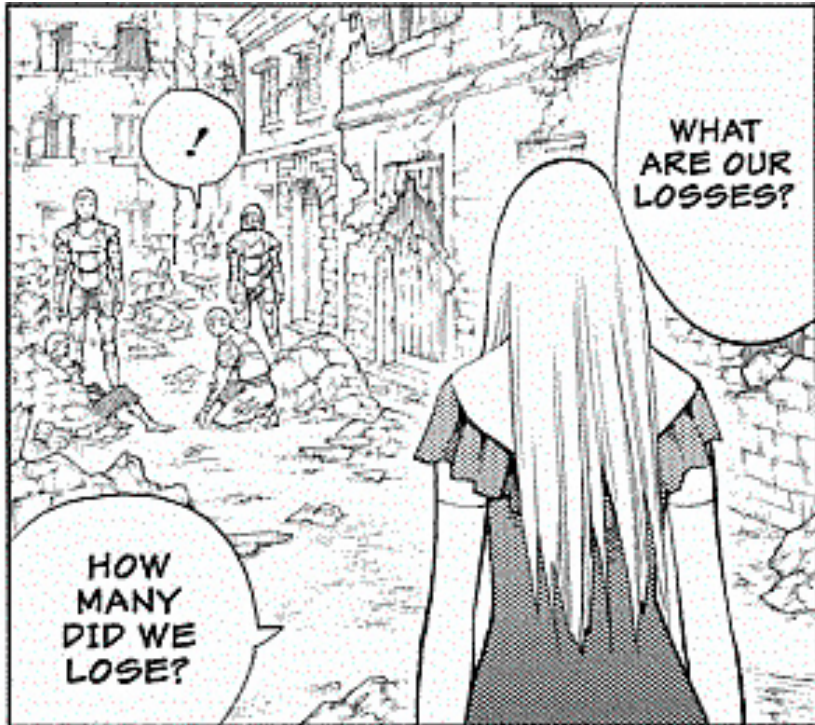
THIRD
SPEAR
UNIT!











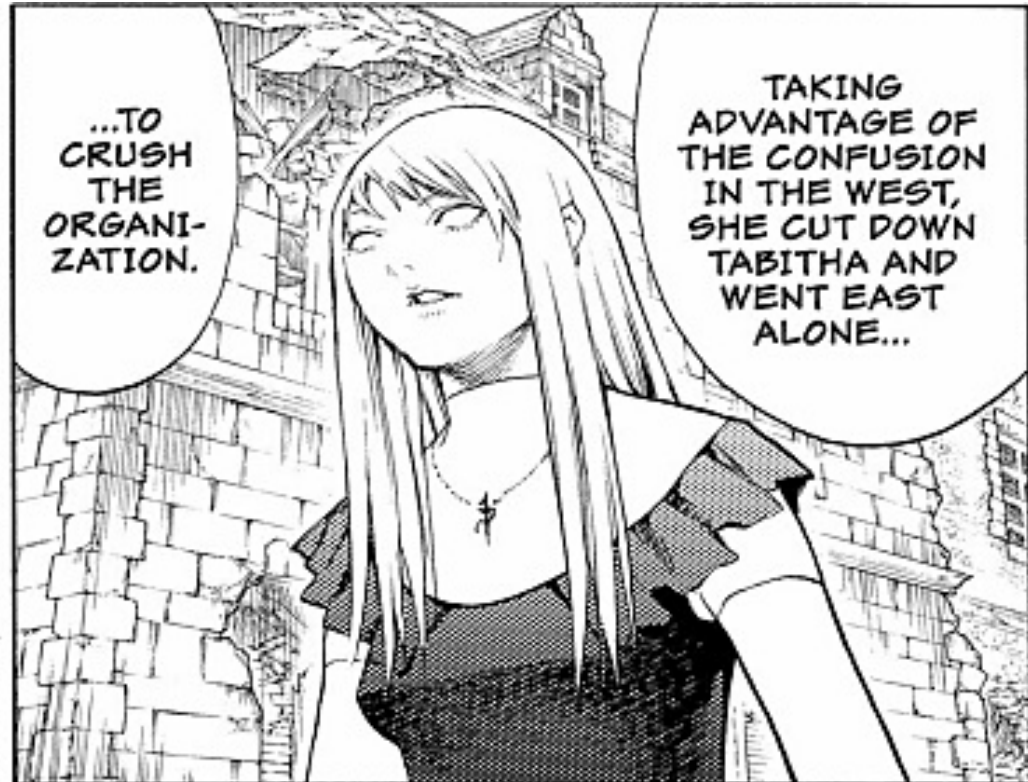




SHE
STRUCK
DOWN
TABITHA
...

...AND
WENT
EAST...

...
ALONE?



TAKING
ADVANTAGE OF
THE CONFUSION
IN THE WEST,
SHE CUT DOWN
TABITHA AND
WENT EAST
ALONE...



WHAT
HAPPENED
WHILE
WE WERE
GONE?

WHAT
DOES
THAT
MEAN?



...WHAT
WAS...

...THE
OUT-
COME?

S-
SO...



NO
...!

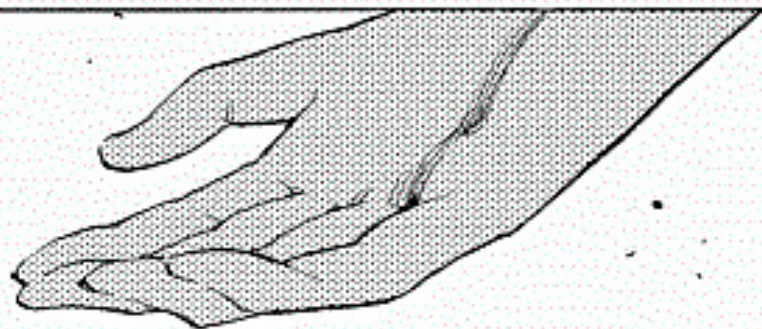
N...



...THAT
MIRIA
PLANNED
THIS ALL
ALONG.

SUF-
FICE
IT TO
SAY...

IT'S NOT
LIKE IT
WAS A
SUDDEN
CHANGE.

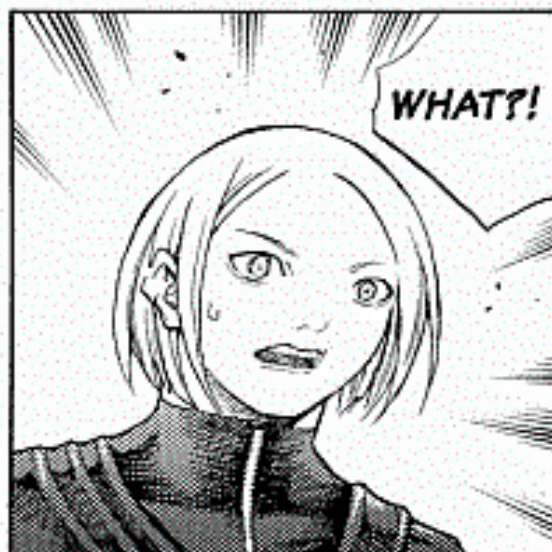
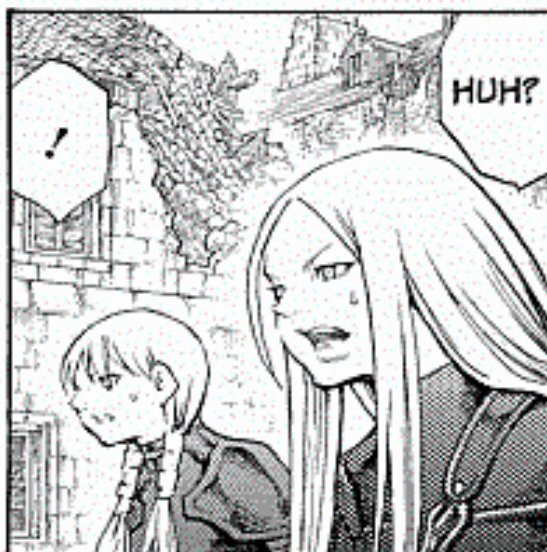
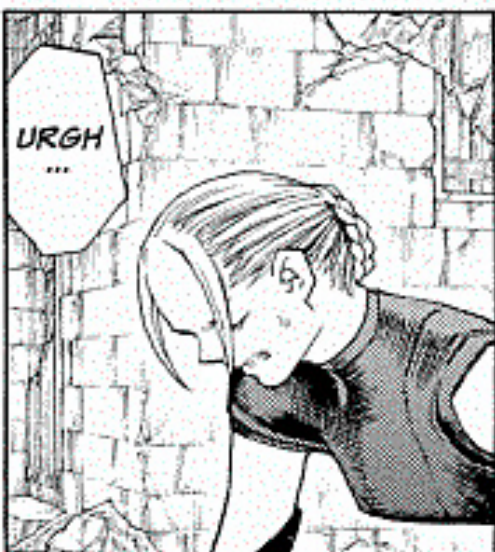


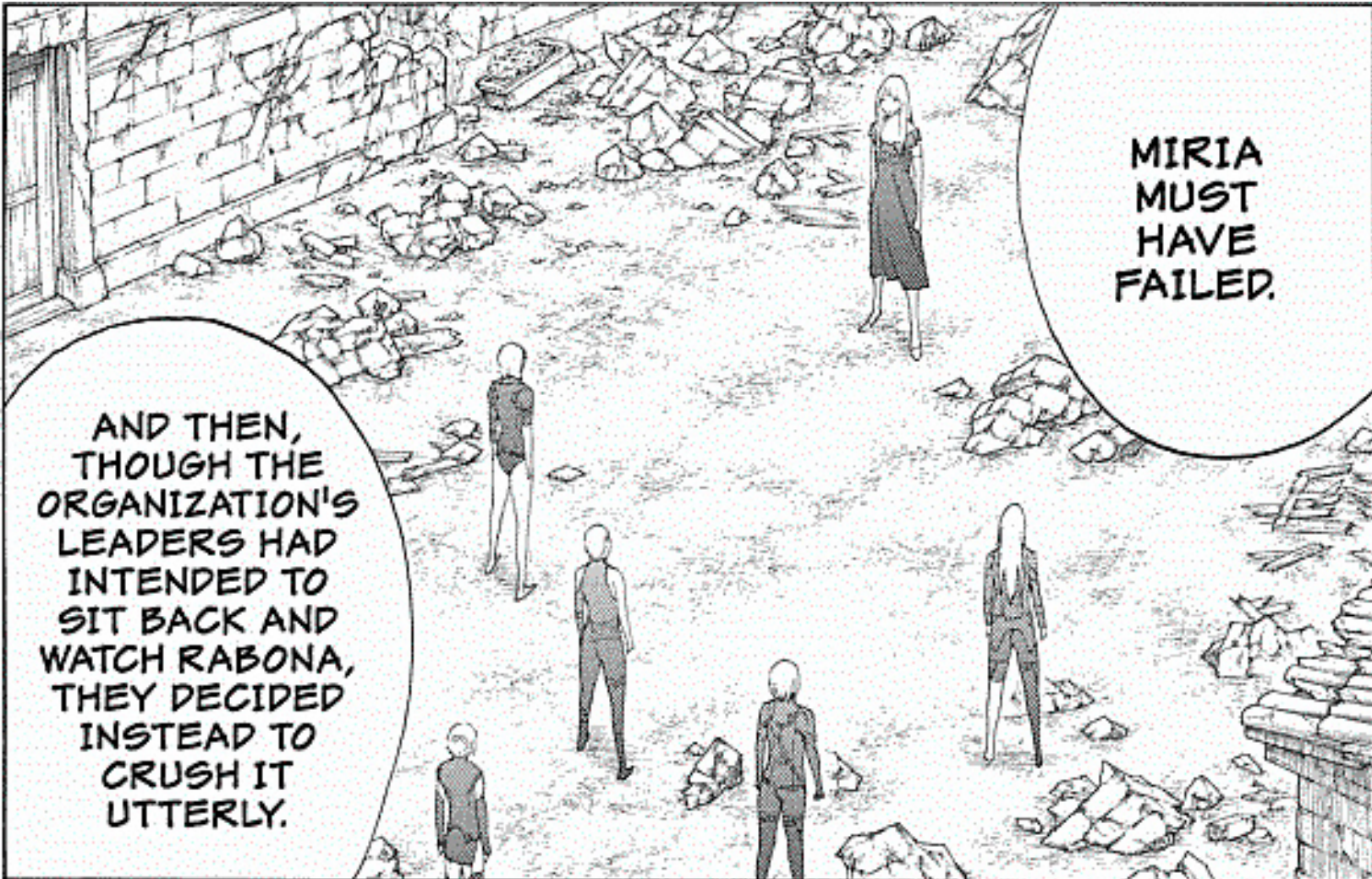
YES.

...THE
RESULT.



THIS
IS...





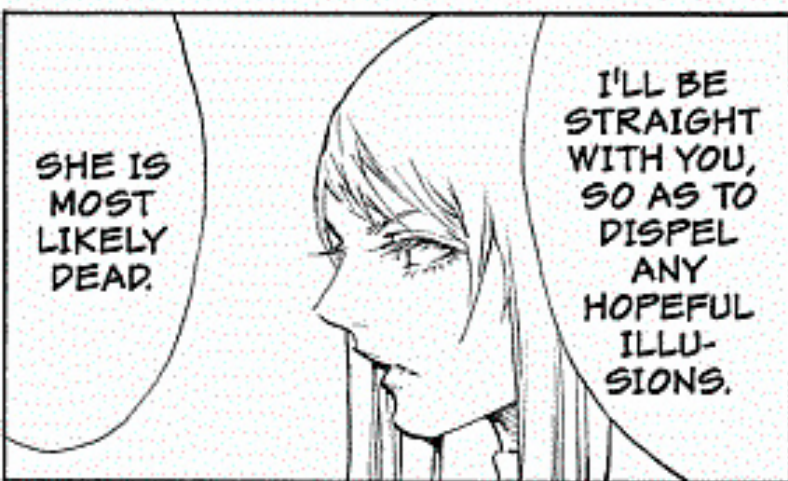
MIRIA
MUST
HAVE
FAILED.

AND THEN,
THOUGH THE
ORGANIZATION'S
LEADERS HAD
INTENDED TO
SIT BACK AND
WATCH RABONA,
THEY DECIDED
INSTEAD TO
CRUSH IT
UTTERLY.



...THAT
MEANS
MIRIA...

TH...
THEN...



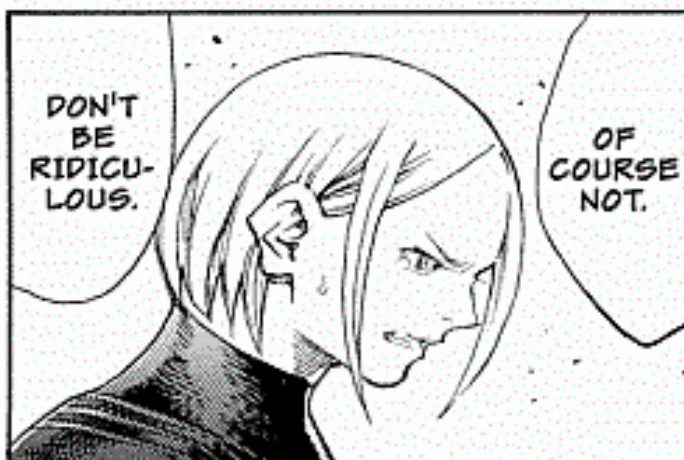
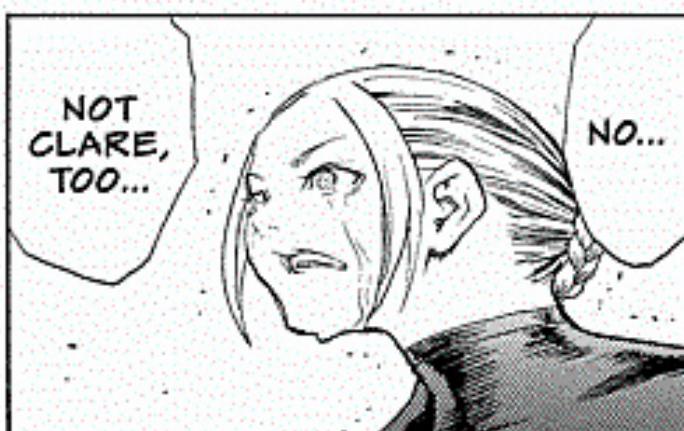
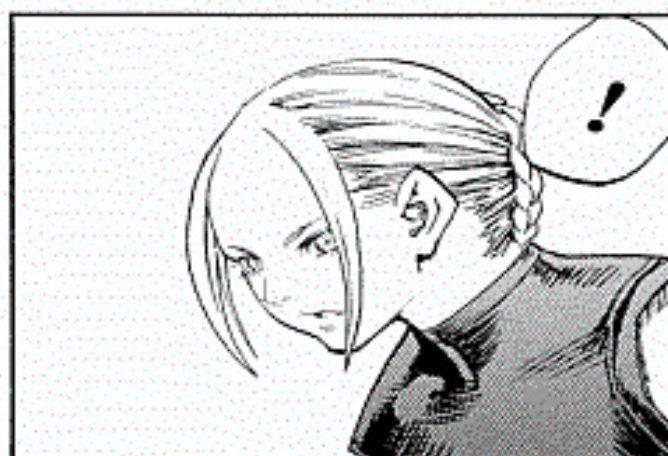
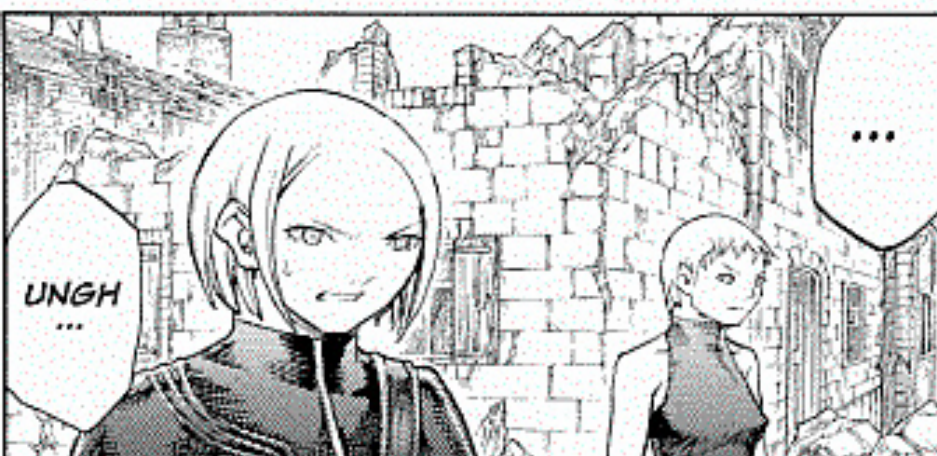
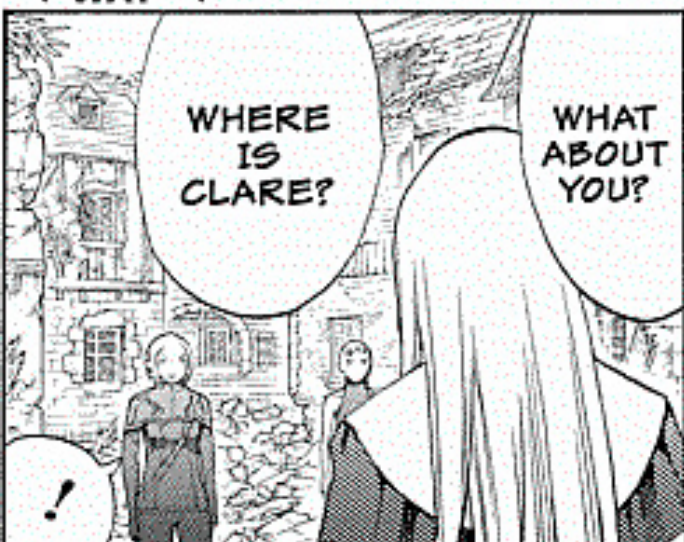
SHE IS
MOST
LIKELY
DEAD.

I'LL BE
STRAIGHT
WITH YOU,
SO AS TO
DISPEL
ANY
HOPEFUL
ILLU-
SIONS.

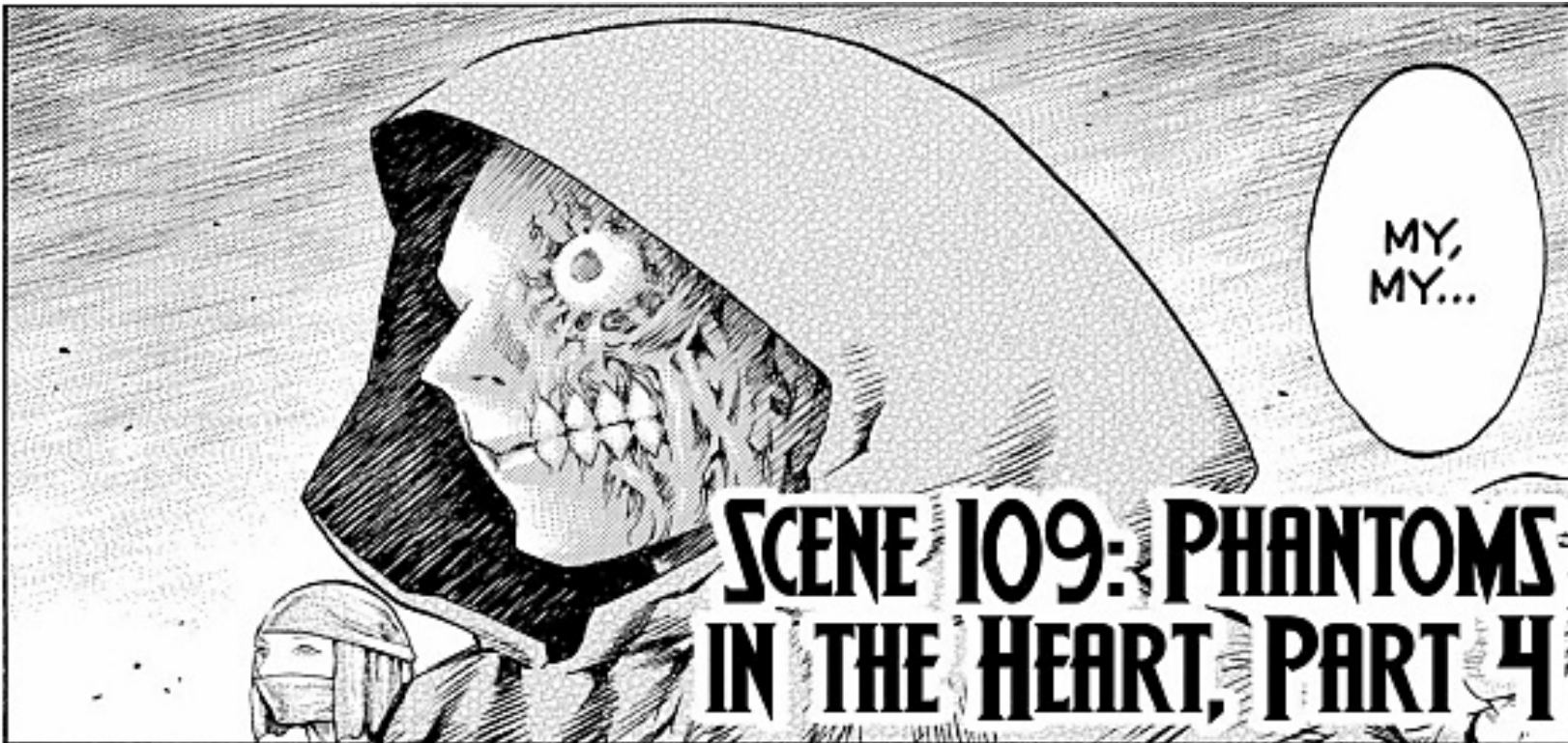


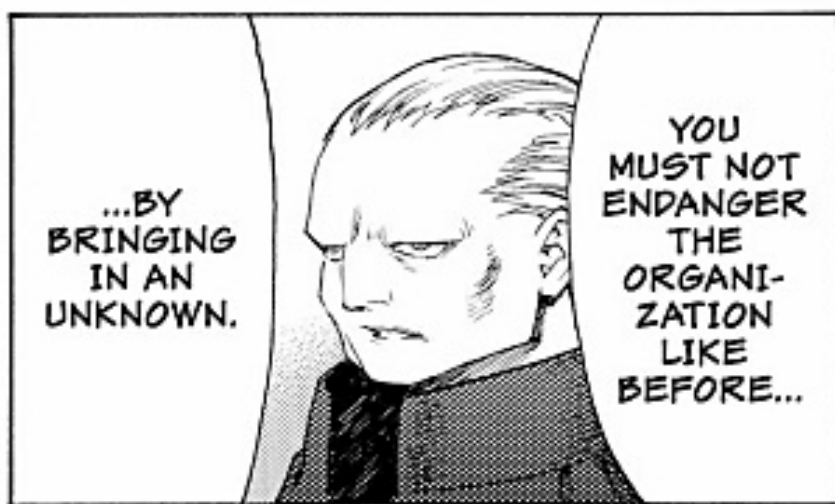
AS
MIGHT BE
EXPECTED,
THE
ORGANI-
ZATION
DIDN'T USE
ANY OF
ITS OWN
WARRIORS
...

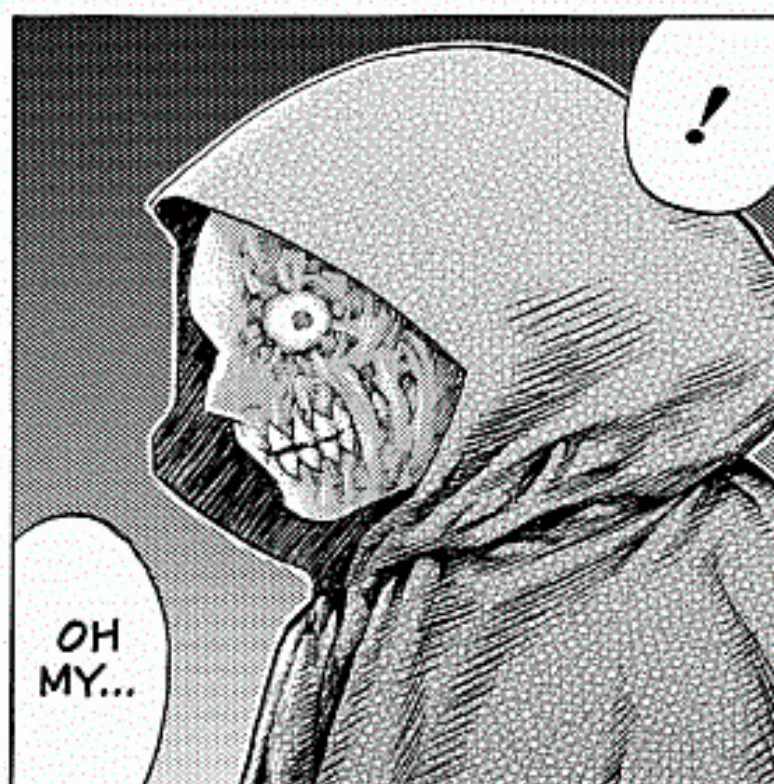
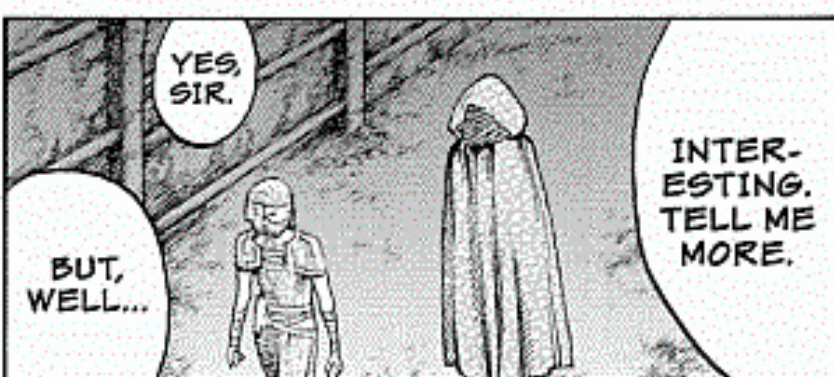
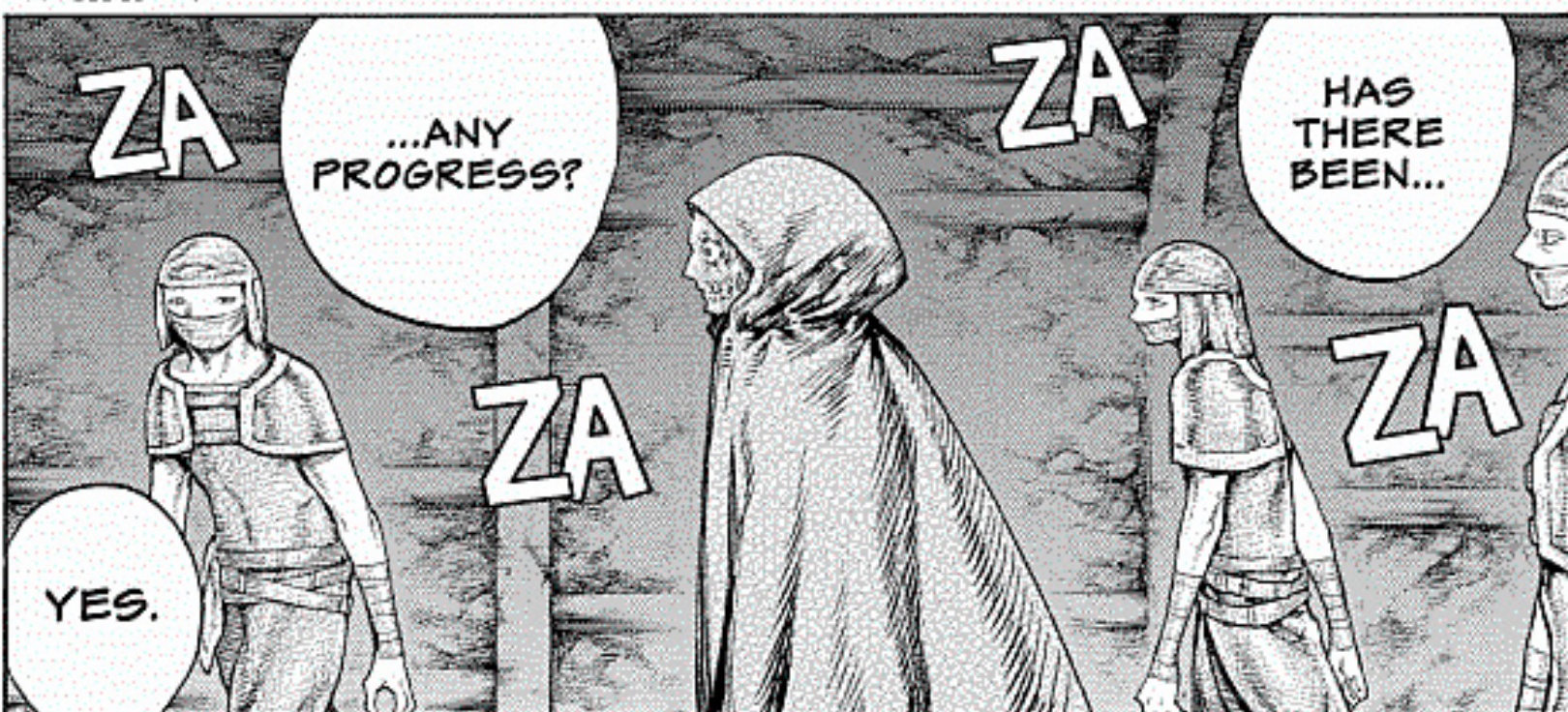
...BUT THEY
SENT ENOUGH
FORCE THAT
THE HOLY CITY
WOULD'VE
BEEN REDUCED
TO ASHES
HAD YOU NOT
RETURNED.

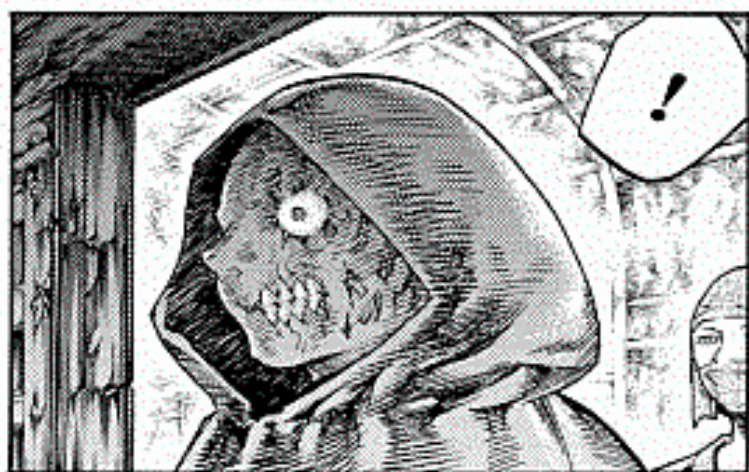
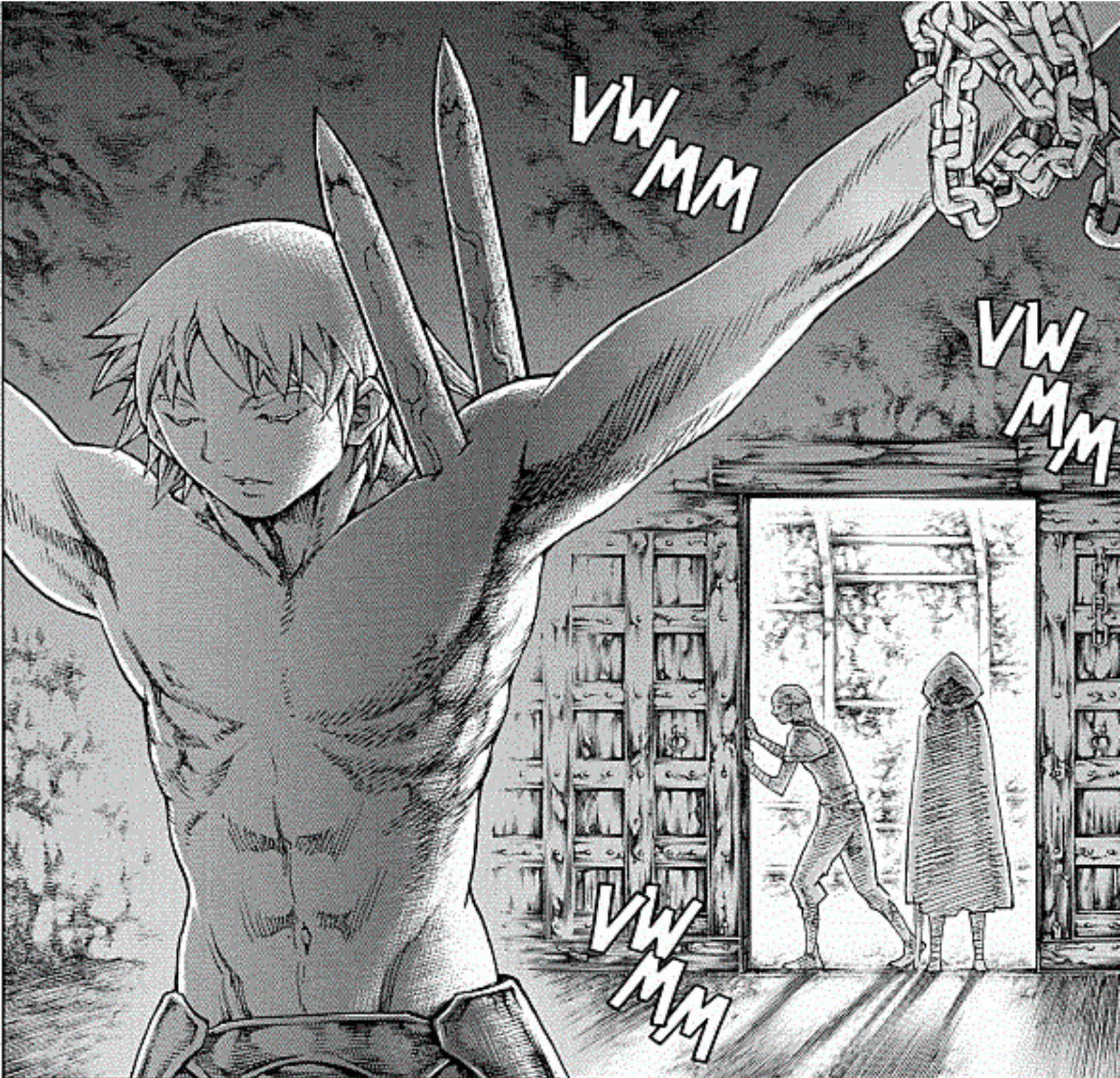


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Claymore



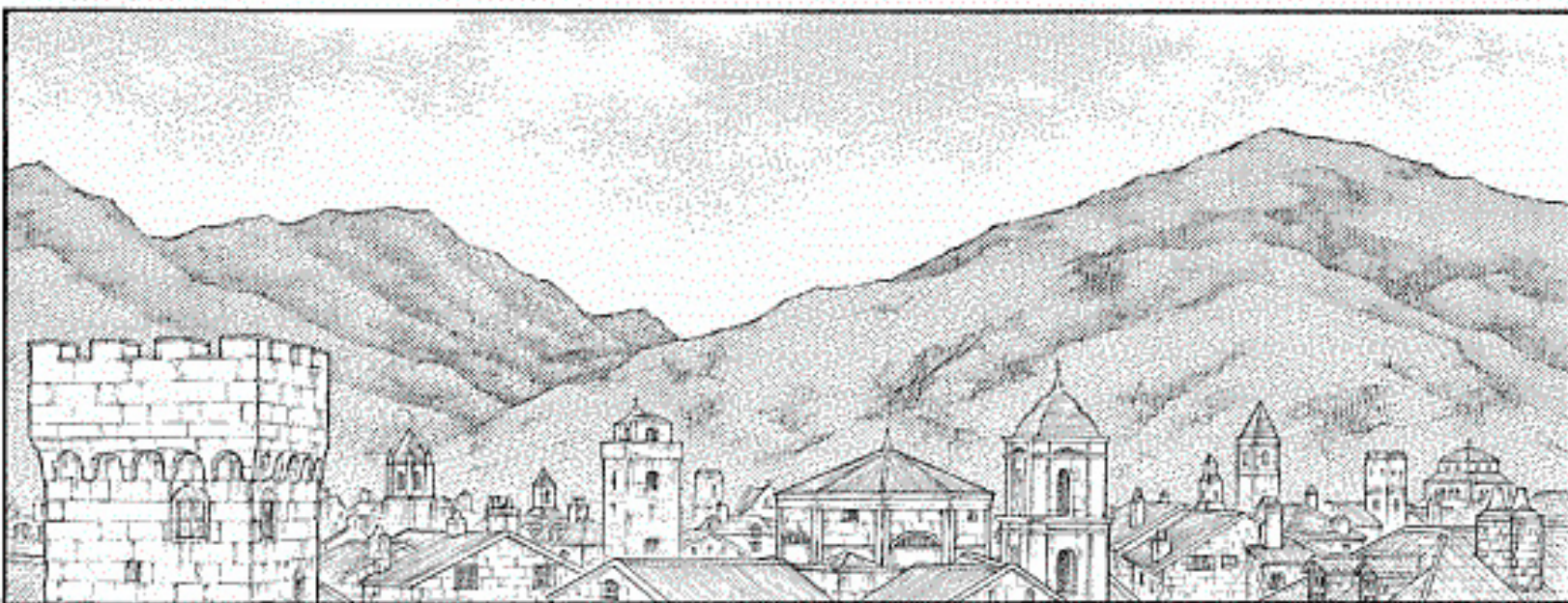






ISN'T
THAT
SOME-
THING...

OH MY.
I SEE.



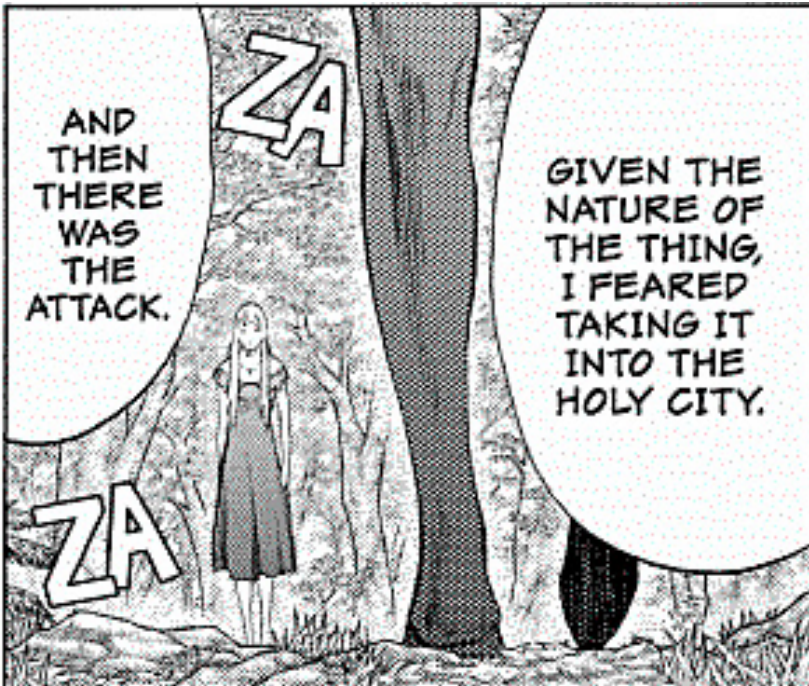
HOW
FAR ARE
YOU
GOING TO
MAKE ME
WALK?

HEY...

ZA

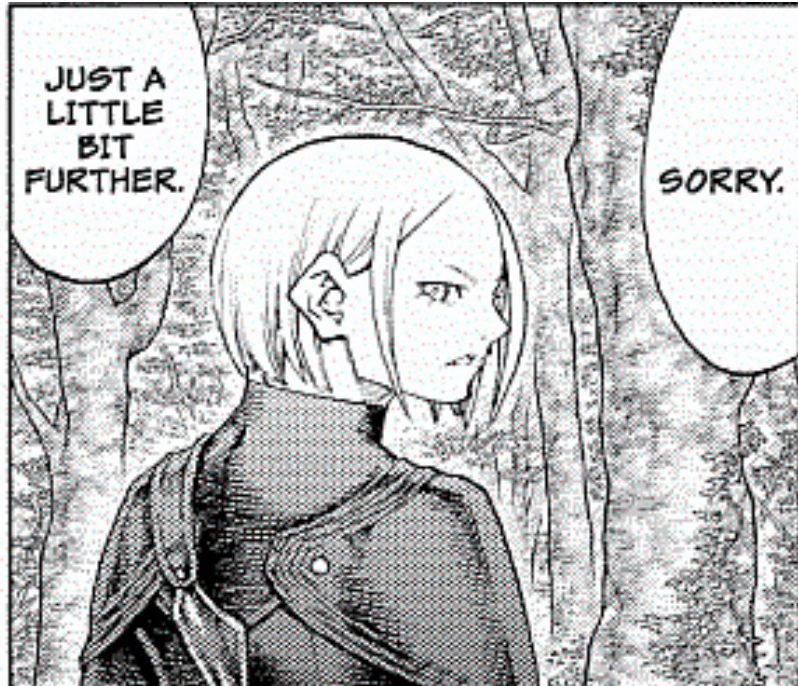
ZA

ZA



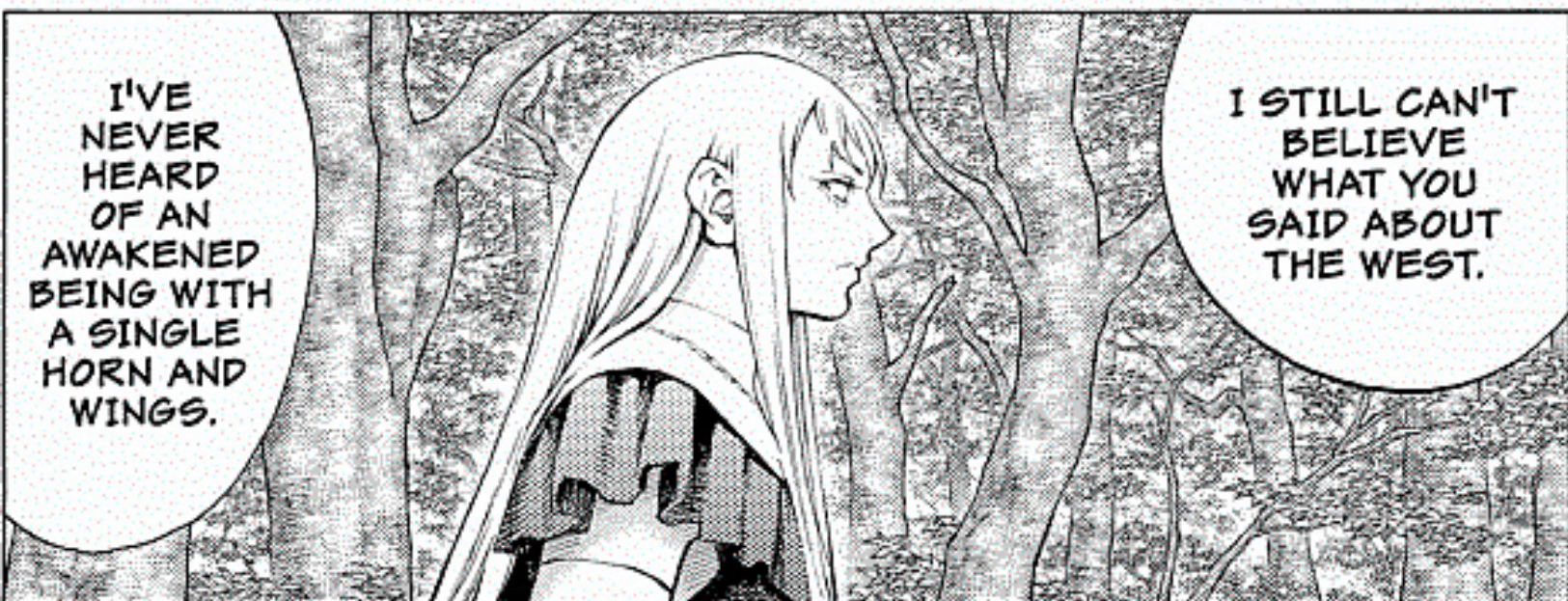
AND THEN THERE WAS THE ATTACK.

GIVEN THE NATURE OF THE THING, I FEARED TAKING IT INTO THE HOLY CITY.



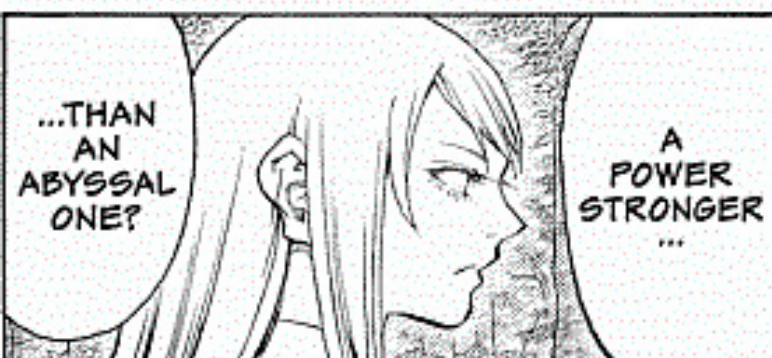
JUST A LITTLE BIT FURTHER.

SORRY.



I'VE NEVER HEARD OF AN AWAKENED BEING WITH A SINGLE HORN AND WINGS.

I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE WHAT YOU SAID ABOUT THE WEST.

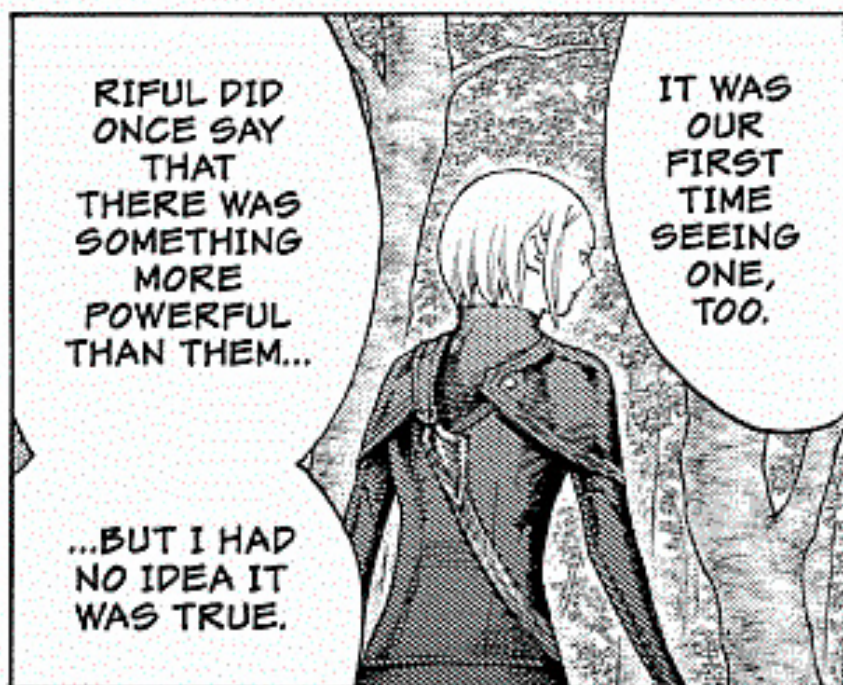


...THAN AN ABYSSAL ONE?

A POWER STRONGER ...



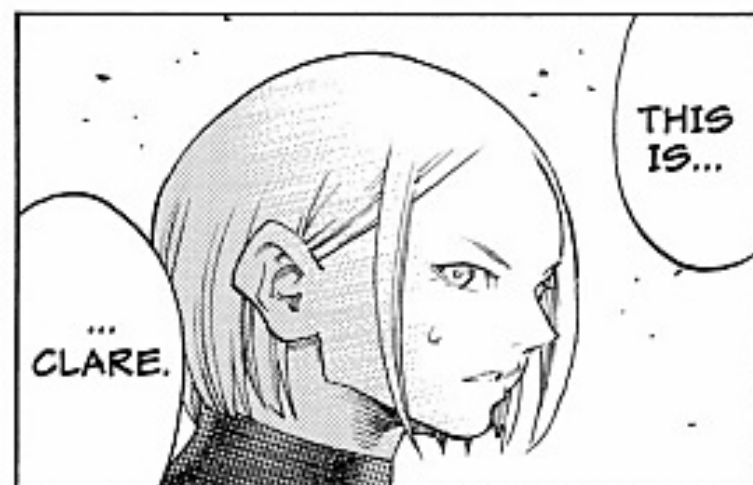
WE'RE HERE.

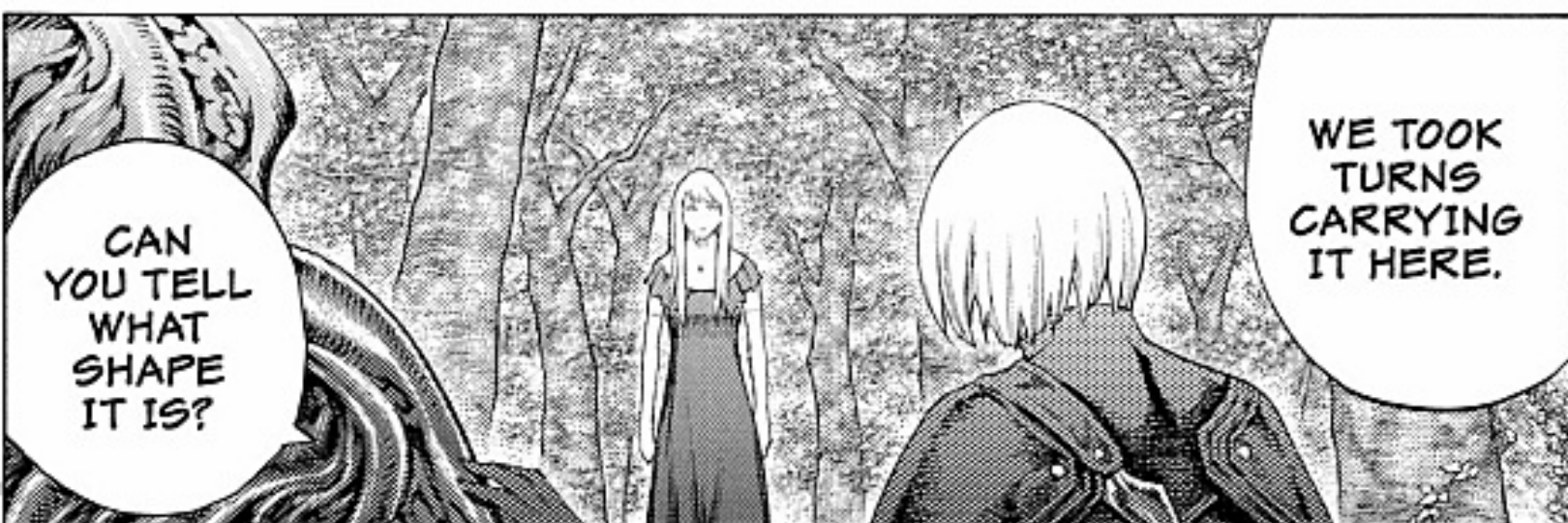


RIFUL DID ONCE SAY THAT THERE WAS SOMETHING MORE POWERFUL THAN THEM...

IT WAS OUR FIRST TIME SEEING ONE, TOO.

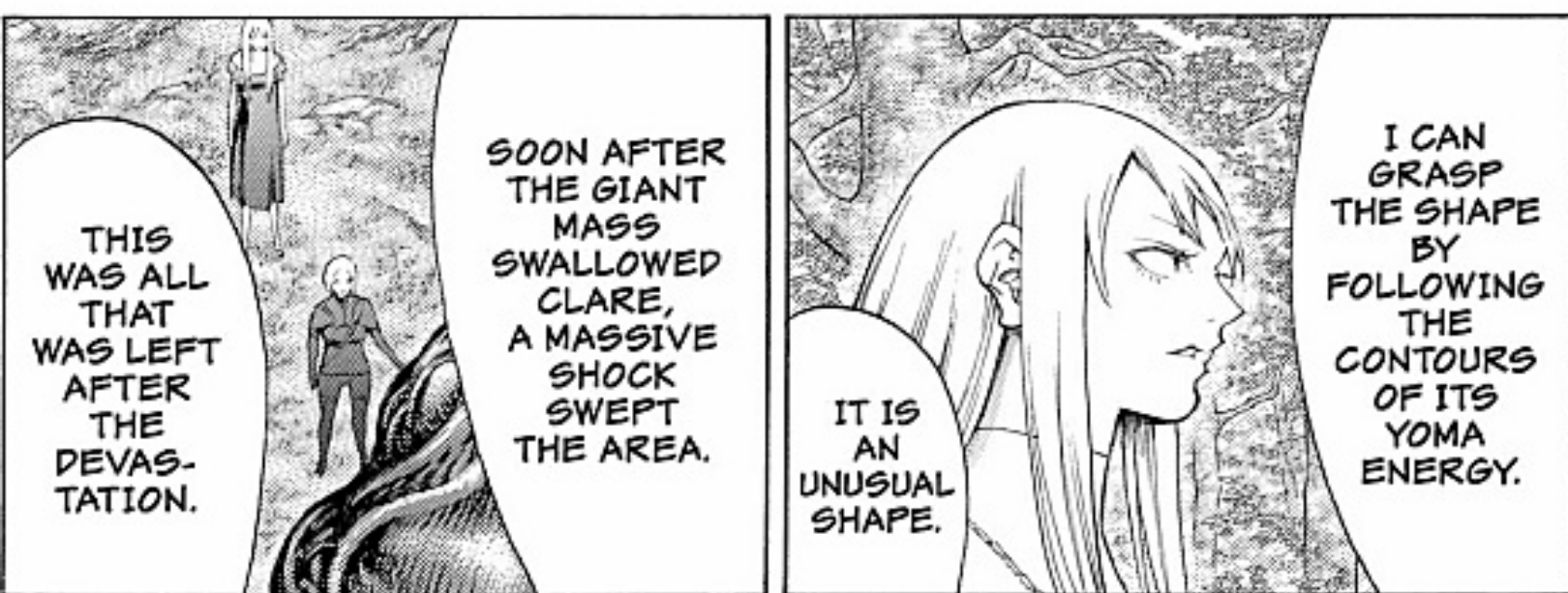
...BUT I HAD NO IDEA IT WAS TRUE.





CAN
YOU TELL
WHAT
SHAPE
IT IS?

WE TOOK
TURNS
CARRYING
IT HERE.

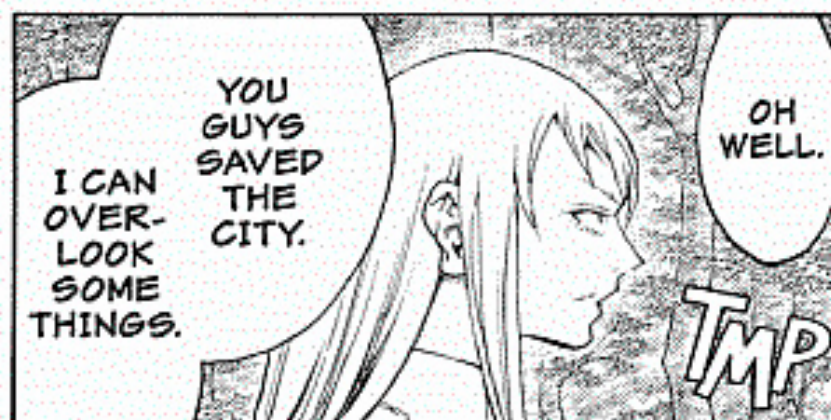
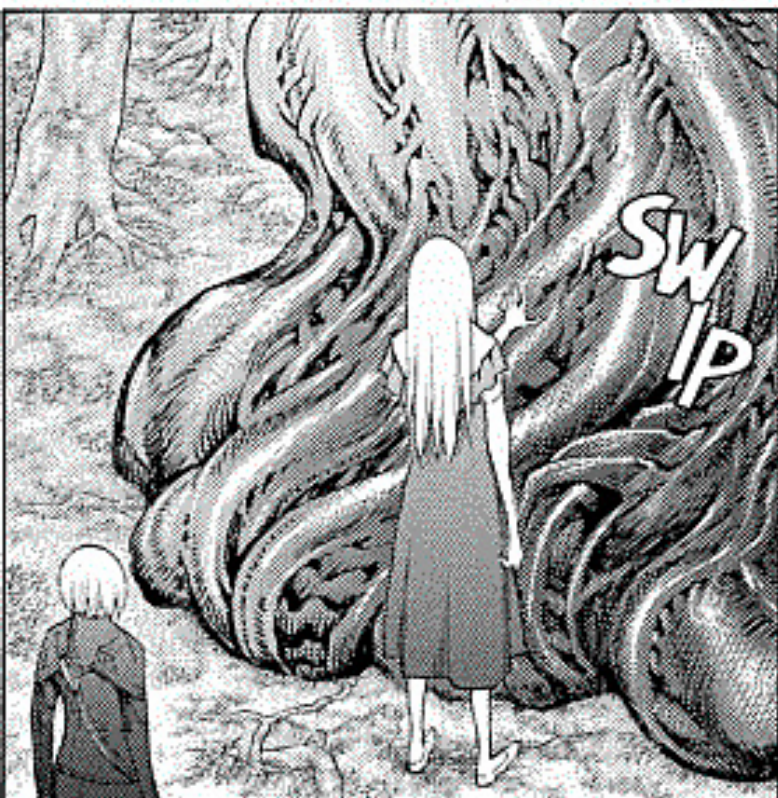
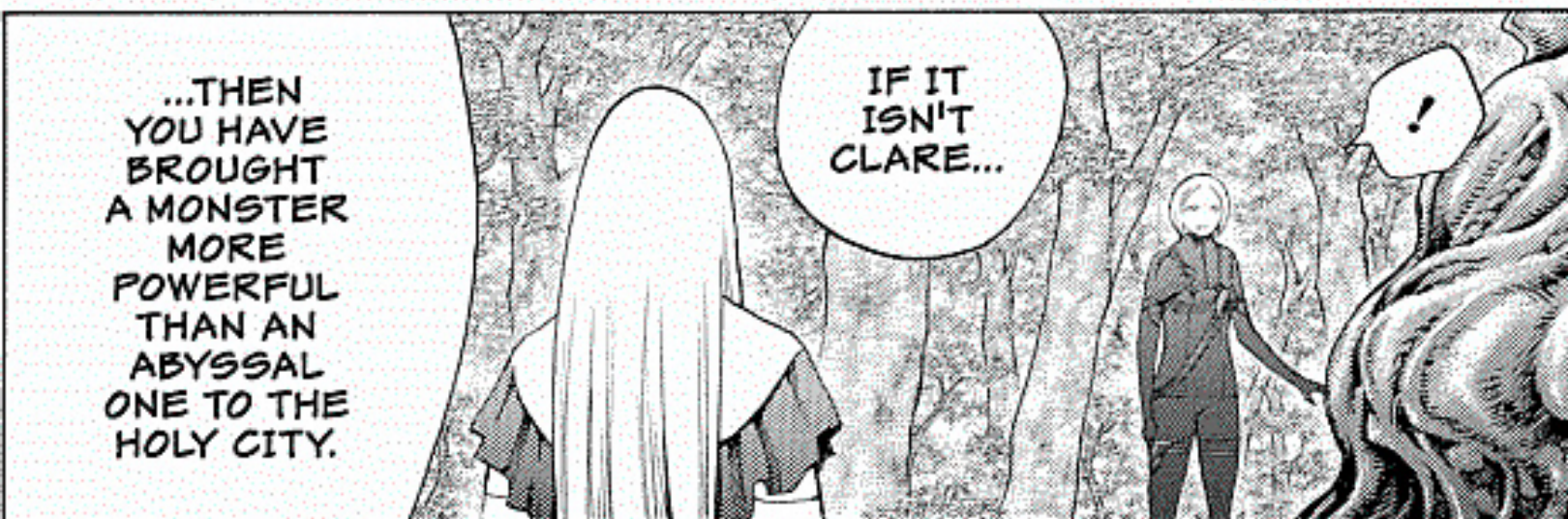
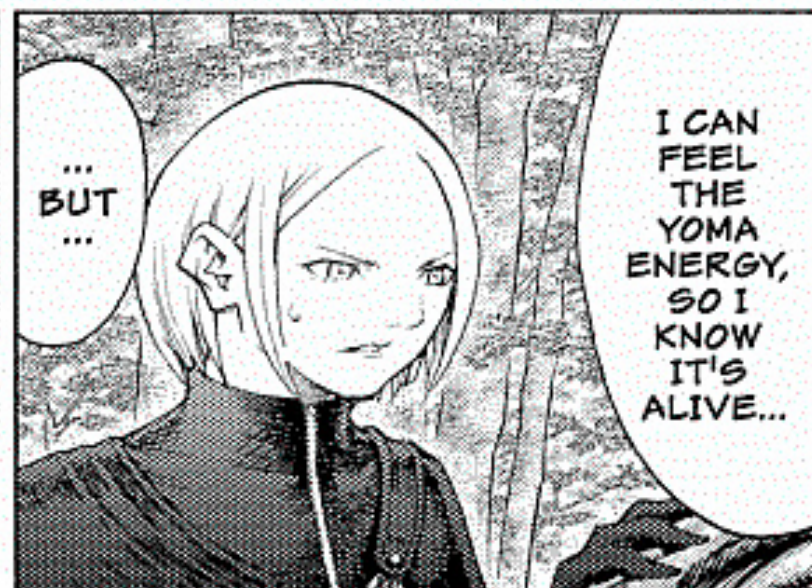
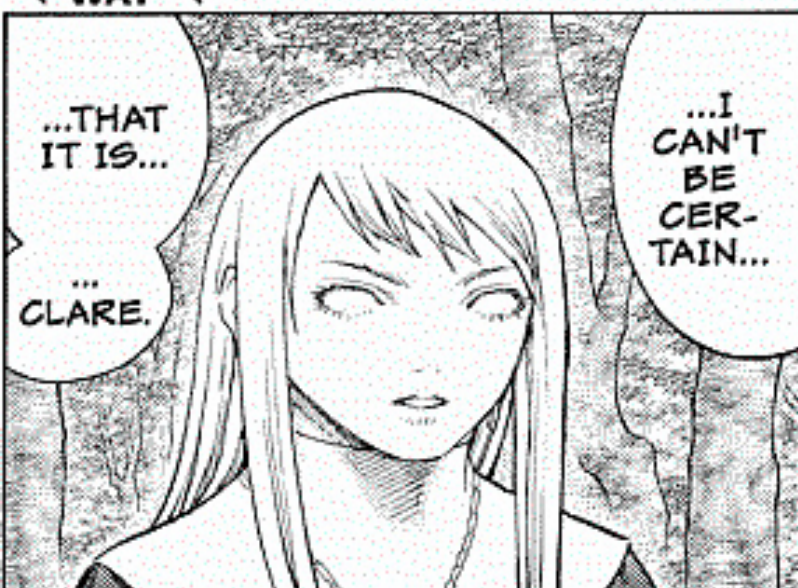


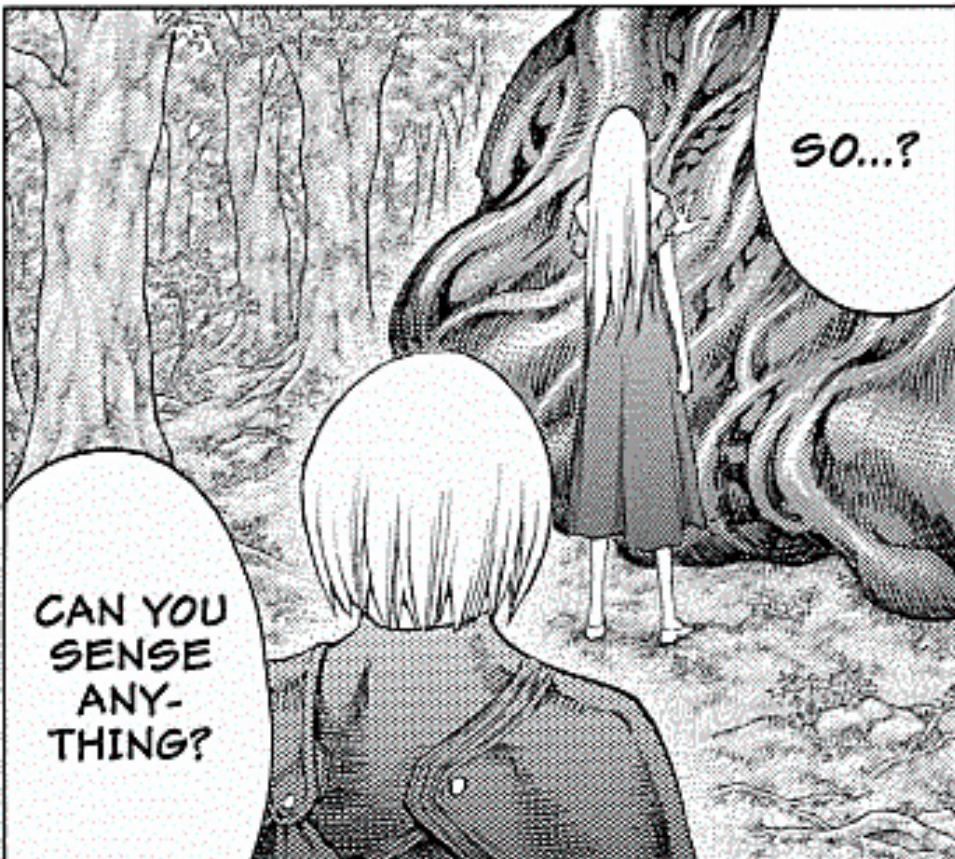
THIS
WAS ALL
THAT
WAS LEFT
AFTER
THE DEVAS-
TATION.

SOON AFTER
THE GIANT
MASS
SWALLOWED
CLARE,
A MASSIVE
SHOCK
SWEEPED
THE AREA.

IT IS
AN
UNUSUAL
SHAPE.

I CAN
GRASP
THE SHAPE
BY
FOLLOWING
THE
CONTOURS
OF ITS
YOMA
ENERGY.





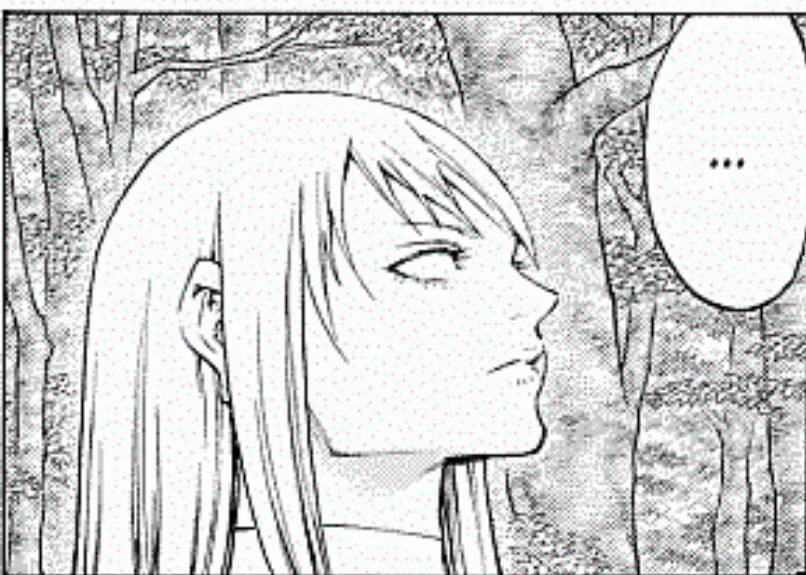
SO...?

CAN YOU
SENSE
ANY-
THING?

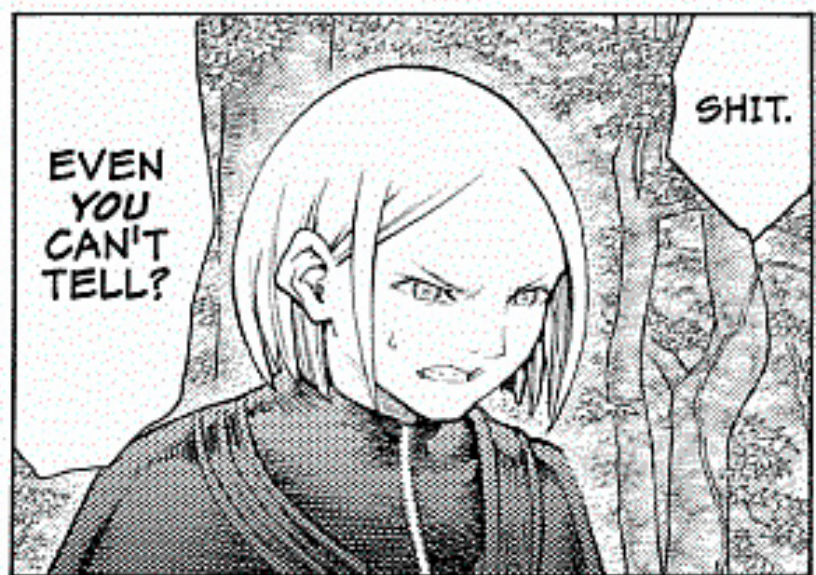


WHAT I
CAN TELL
IS THAT
IT IS
EMITTING
YOMA
ENERGY
AND IS
ALIVE.

IT'S
LIKE A
TURBID
STREAM
OF YOMA
ENERGY.

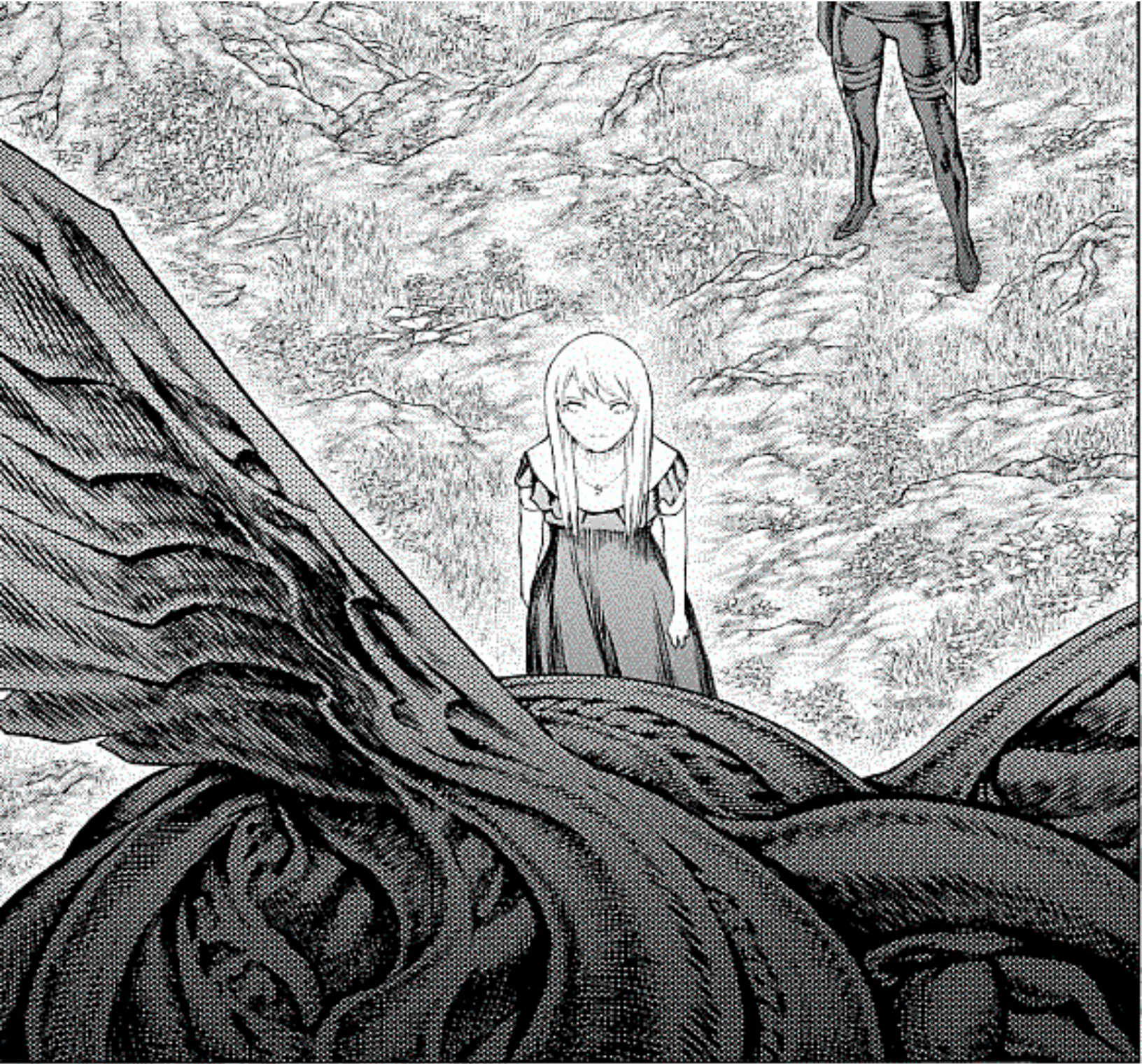


...



EVEN
YOU
CAN'T
TELL?

SHIT.



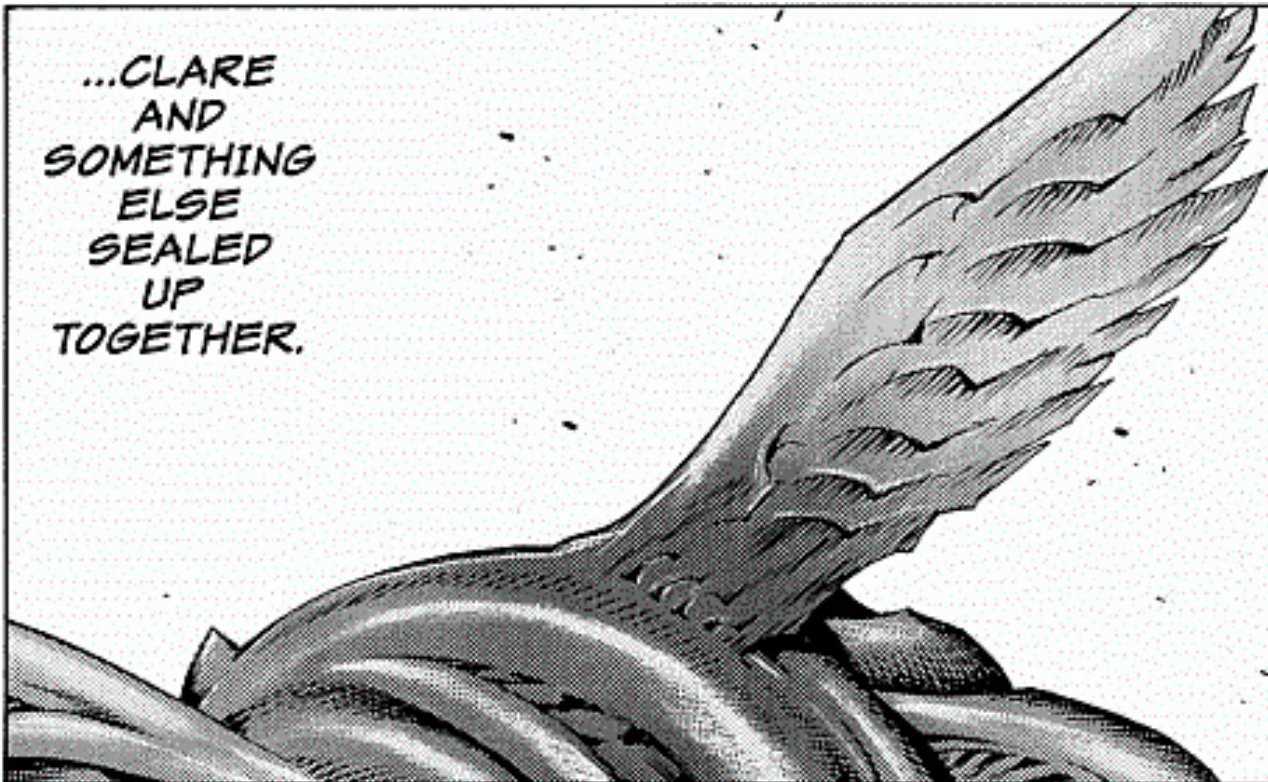
...THEY
ARE
BOTH
IN
THERE.

MY
GUESS
IS...



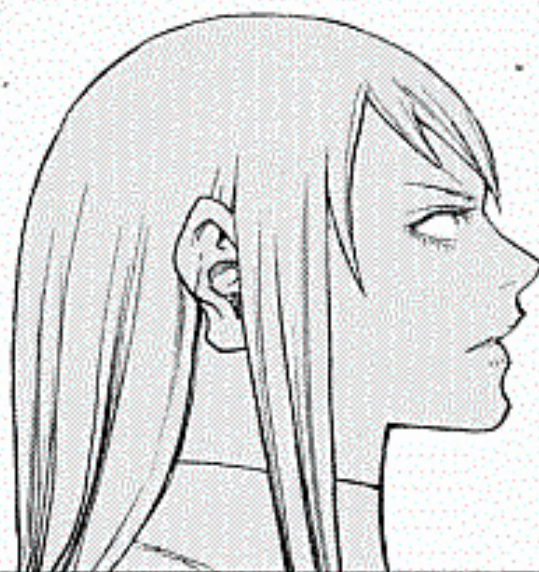
...CLARE
AND
SOMETHING
ELSE
SEALED
UP
TOGETHER.

BATTLING
A
MONSTER
WITH A
SINGLE
HORN
AND
WINGS...



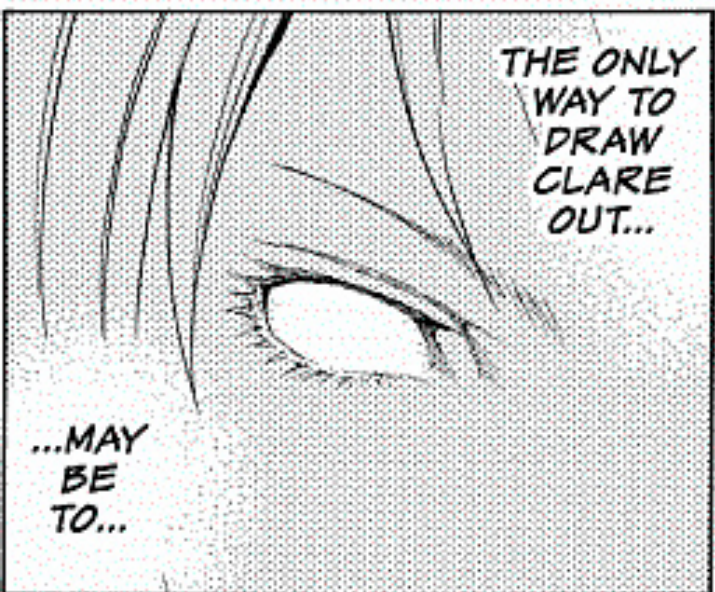
...MEANS
RELEASING
THAT
OVER-
WHELMINGLY
POWERFUL
MONSTER.

TO
RELEASE
CLARE
FROM
THIS...



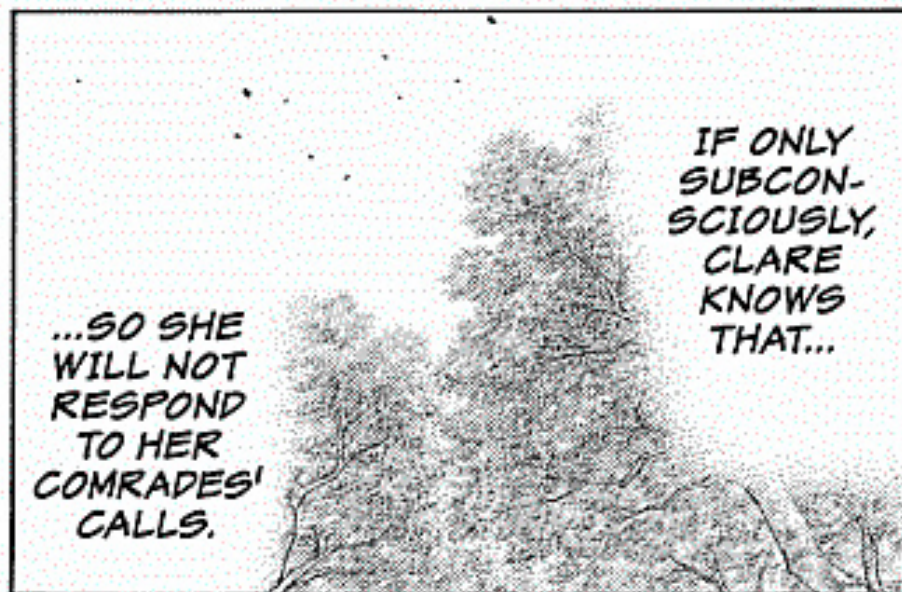
THE ONLY
WAY TO
DRAW
CLARE
OUT...

...MAY
BE
TO...

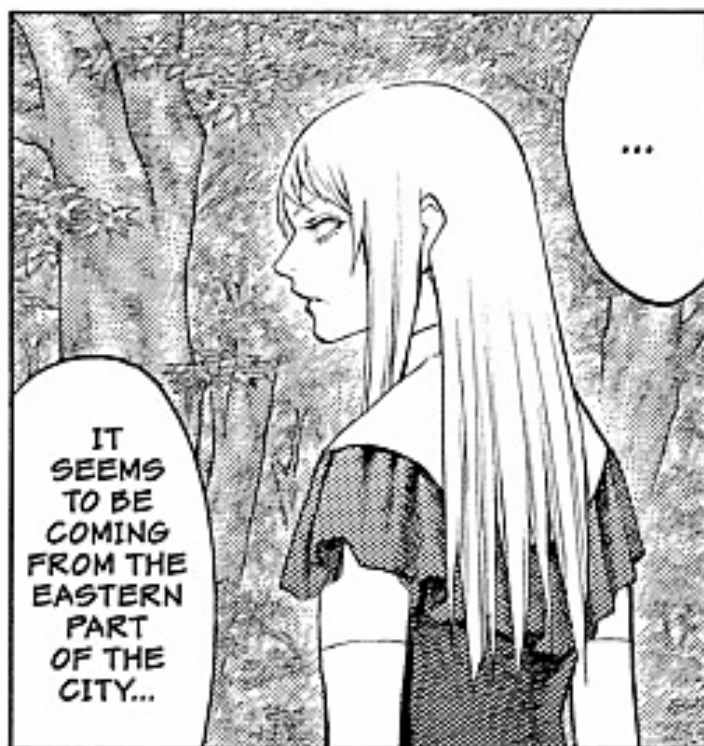


...SO SHE
WILL NOT
RESPOND
TO HER
COMRADES'
CALLS.

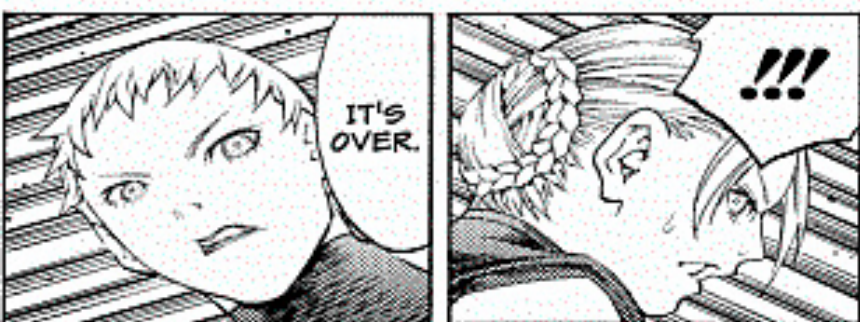
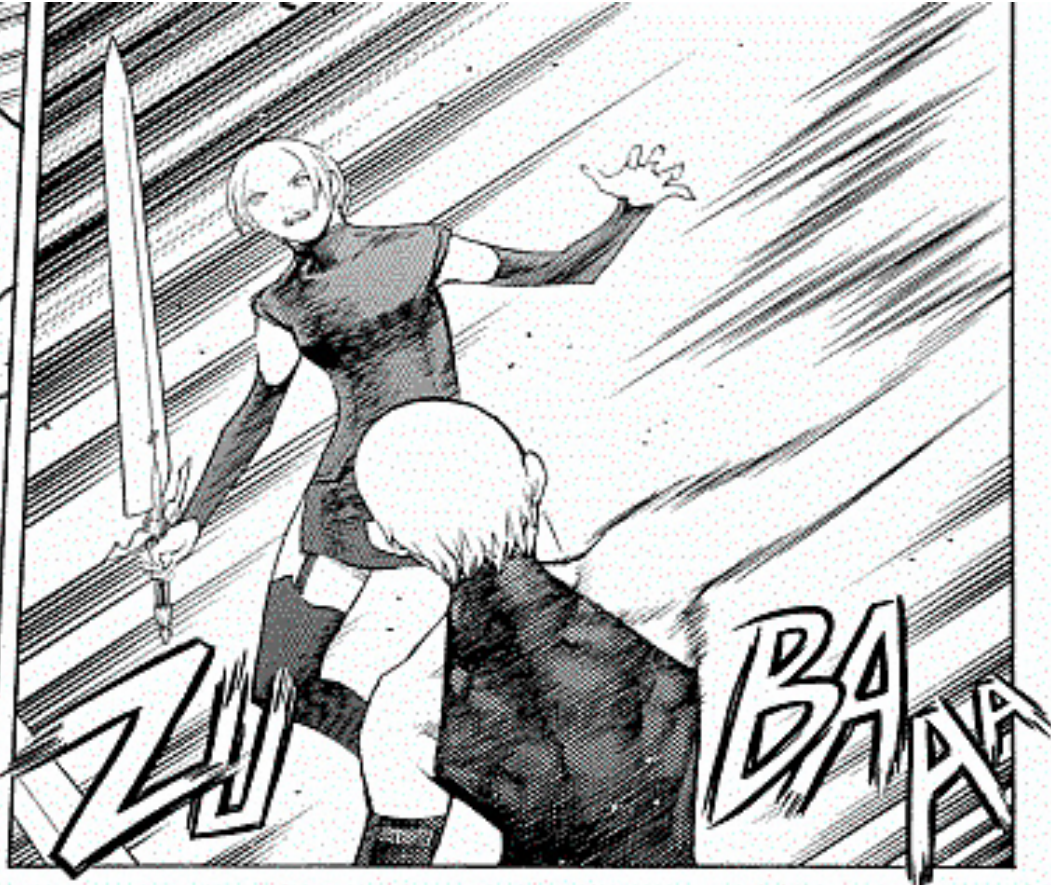
IF ONLY
SUBCON-
SCIOUSLY,
CLARE
KNOWS
THAT...

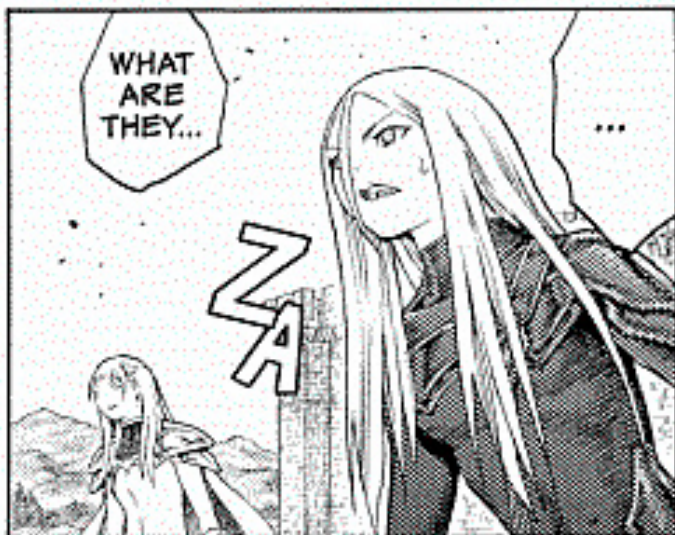
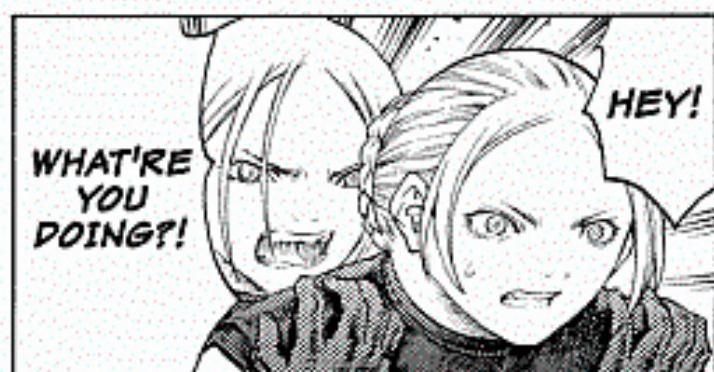
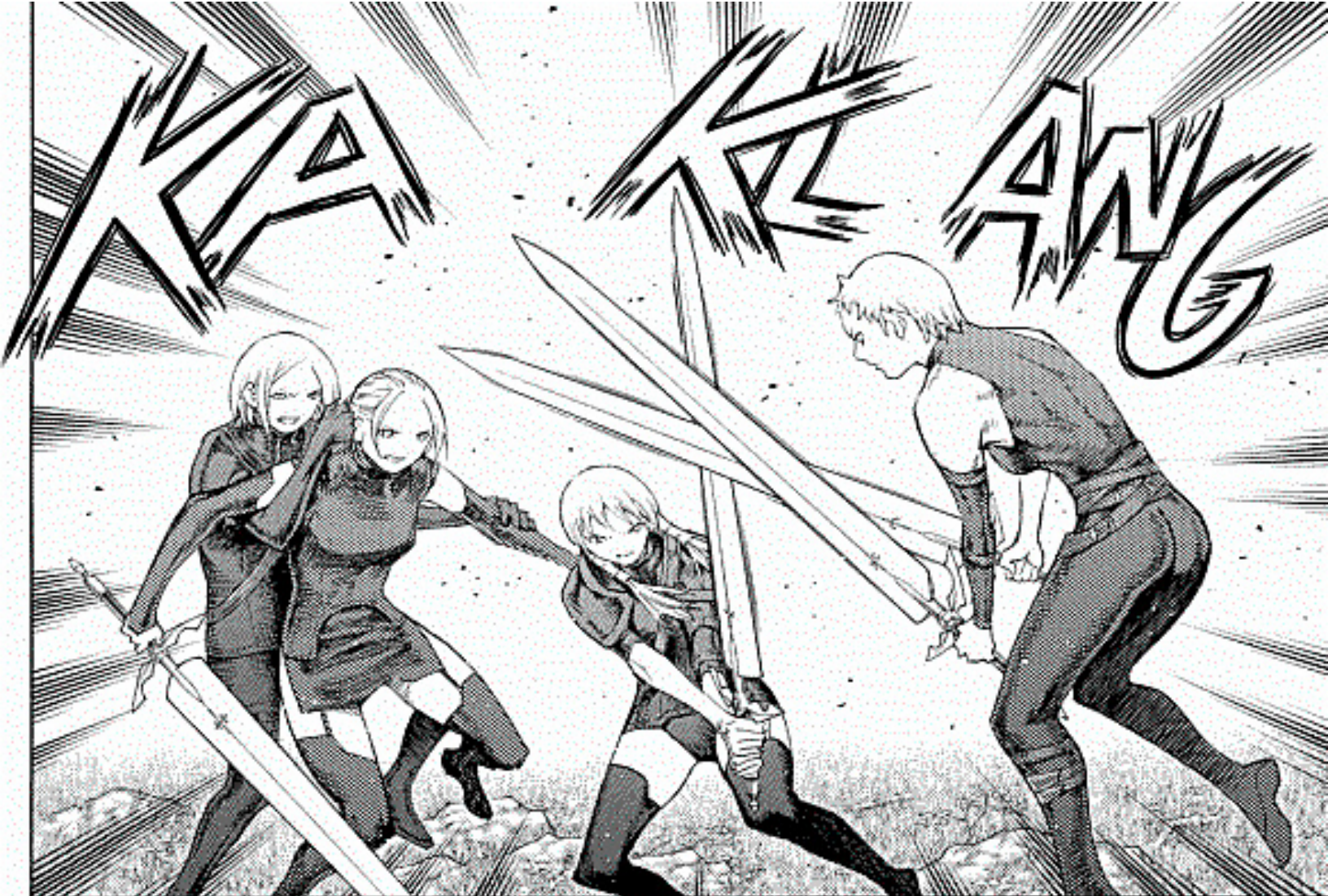


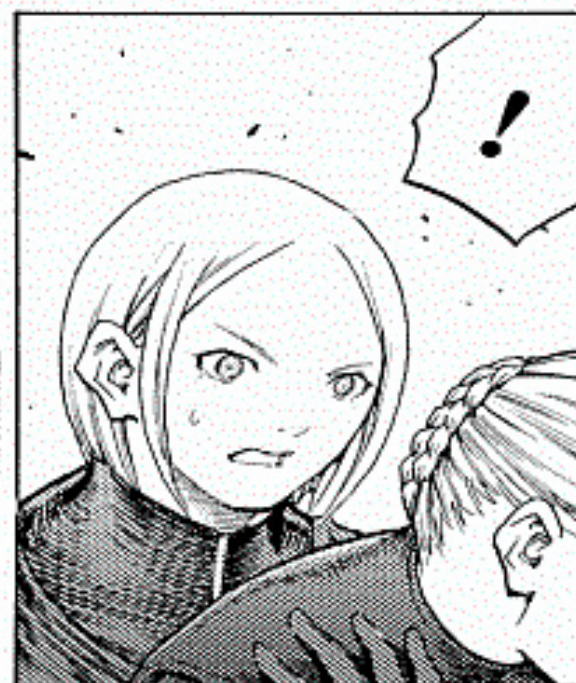
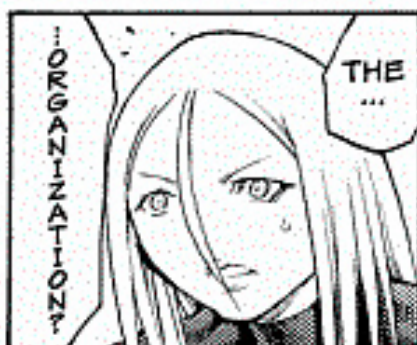
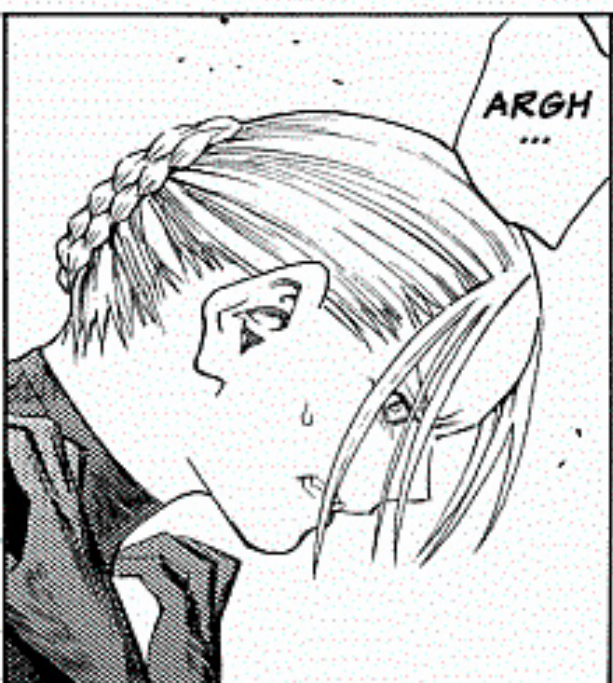
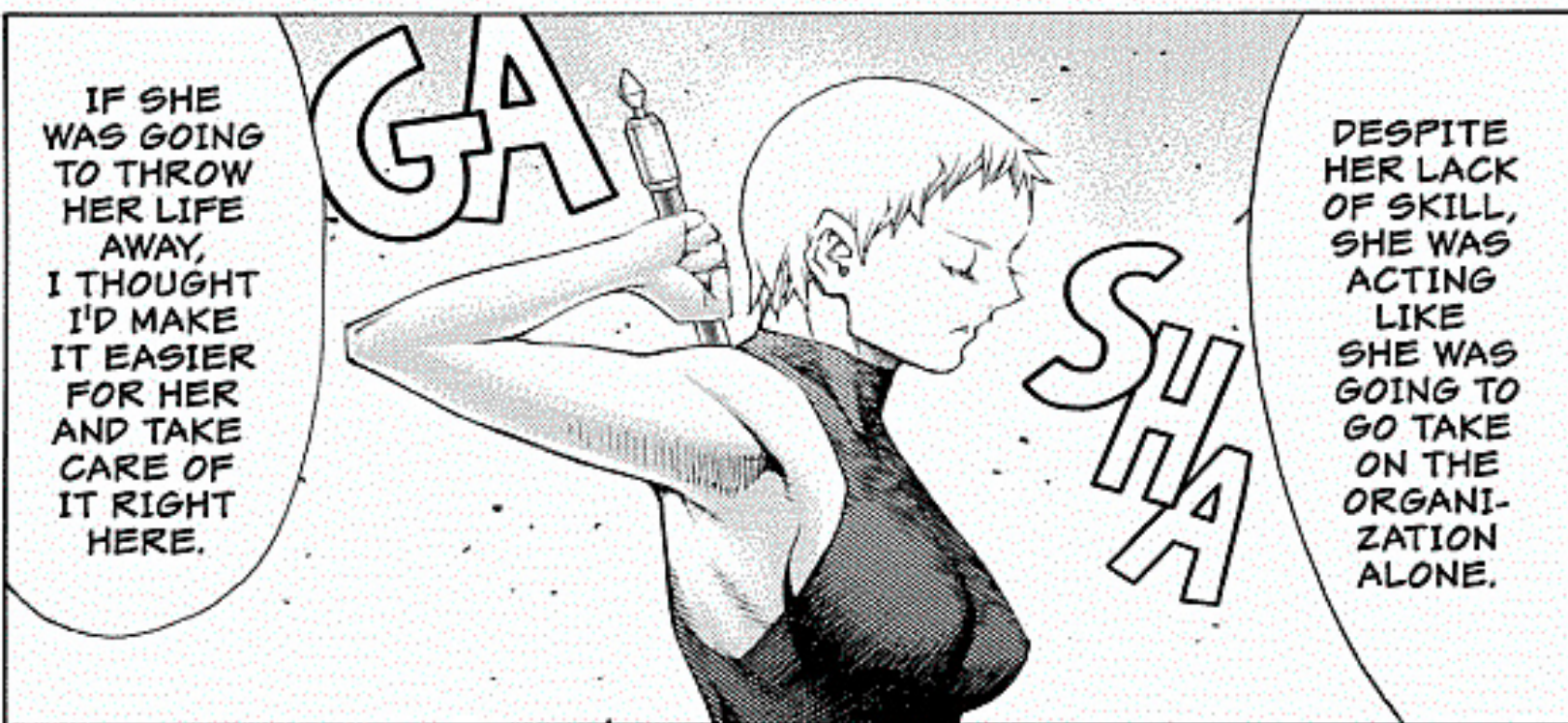
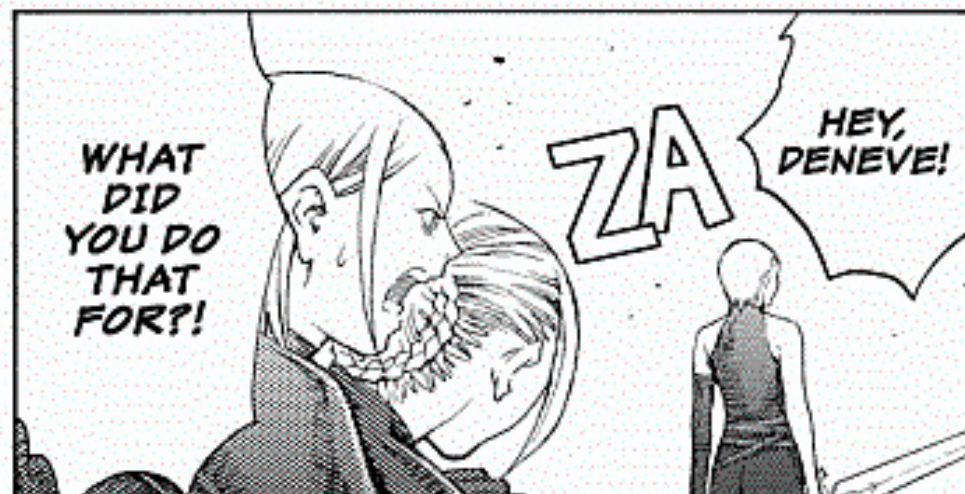
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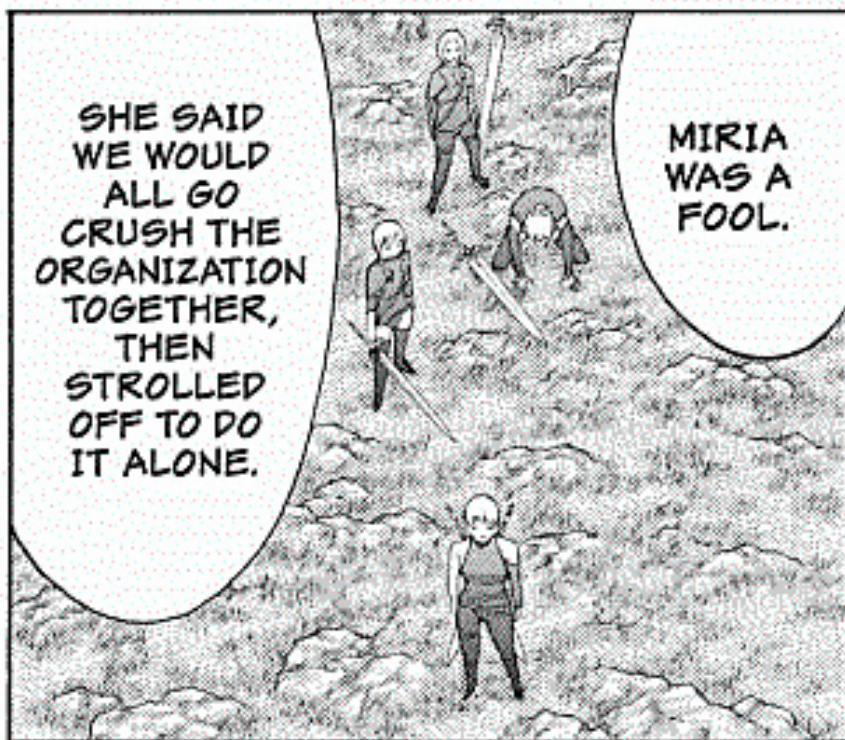
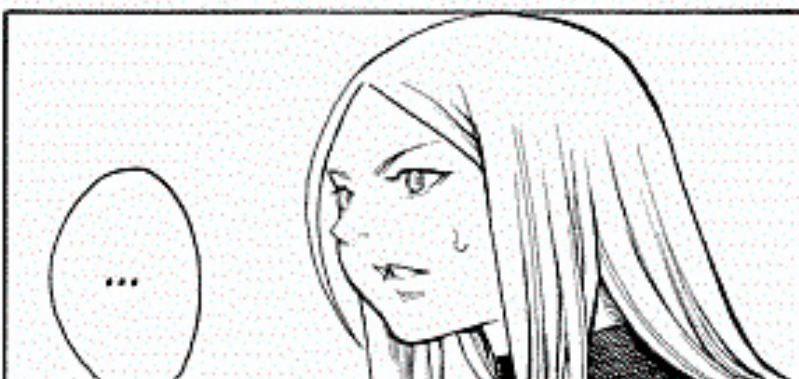
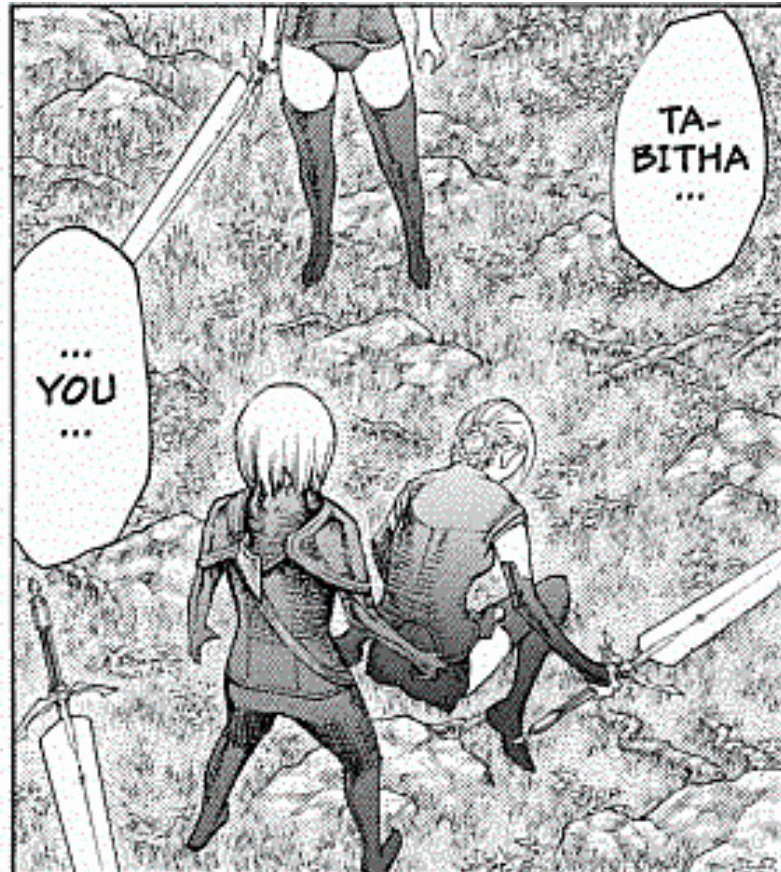


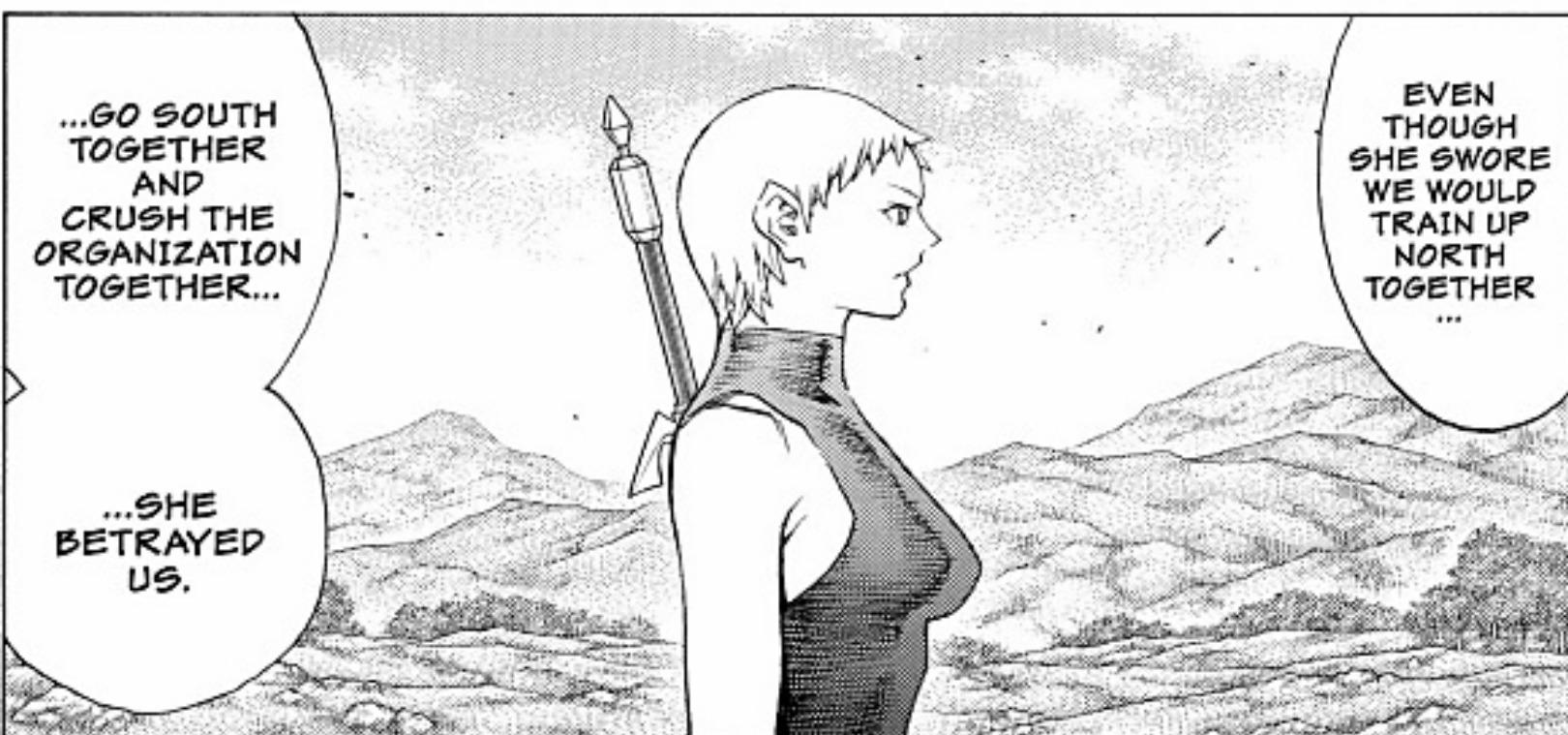


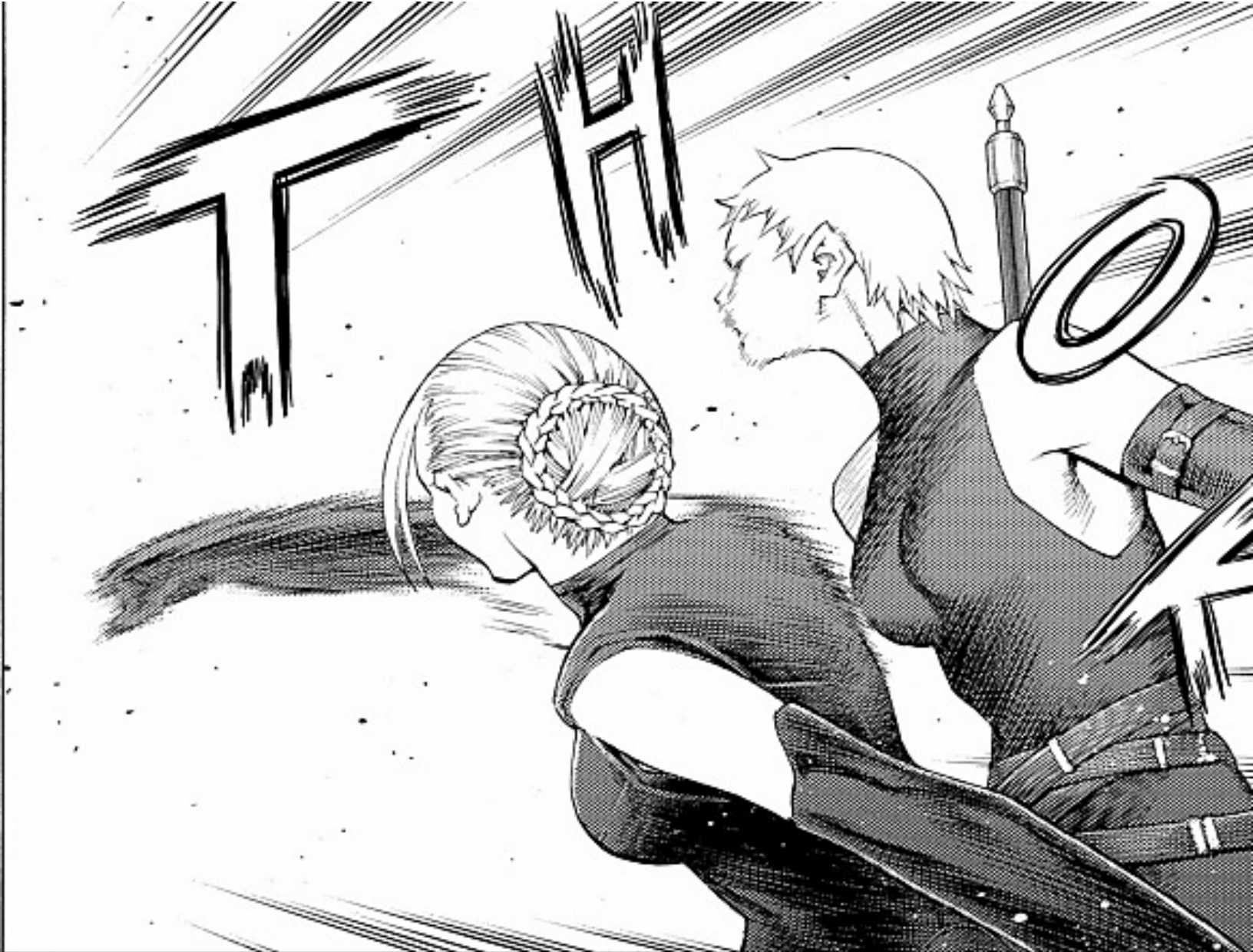


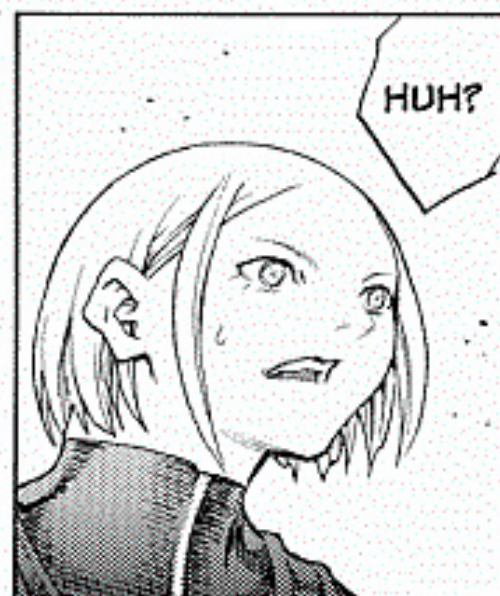
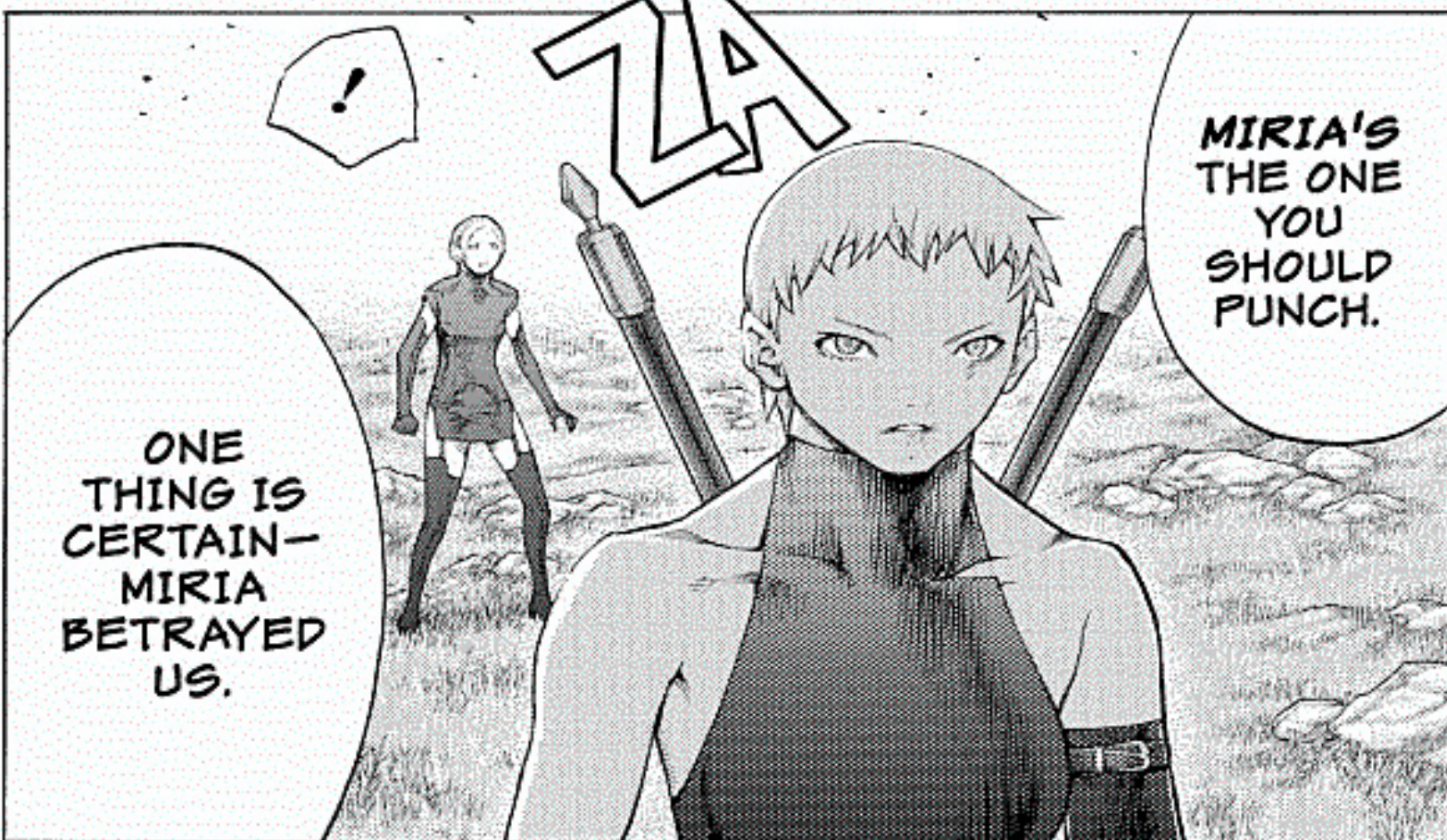














WE WON'T
ASSUME
SHE'S DEAD
BASED
ON A FEW
WORDS
FROM YOU.

I'M
SORRY,
BUT
WE'RE
NOT
GOOD AT
GIVING
UP.



WE HAVE
ALWAYS
LIVED IN
DIFFERENT
WAYS.

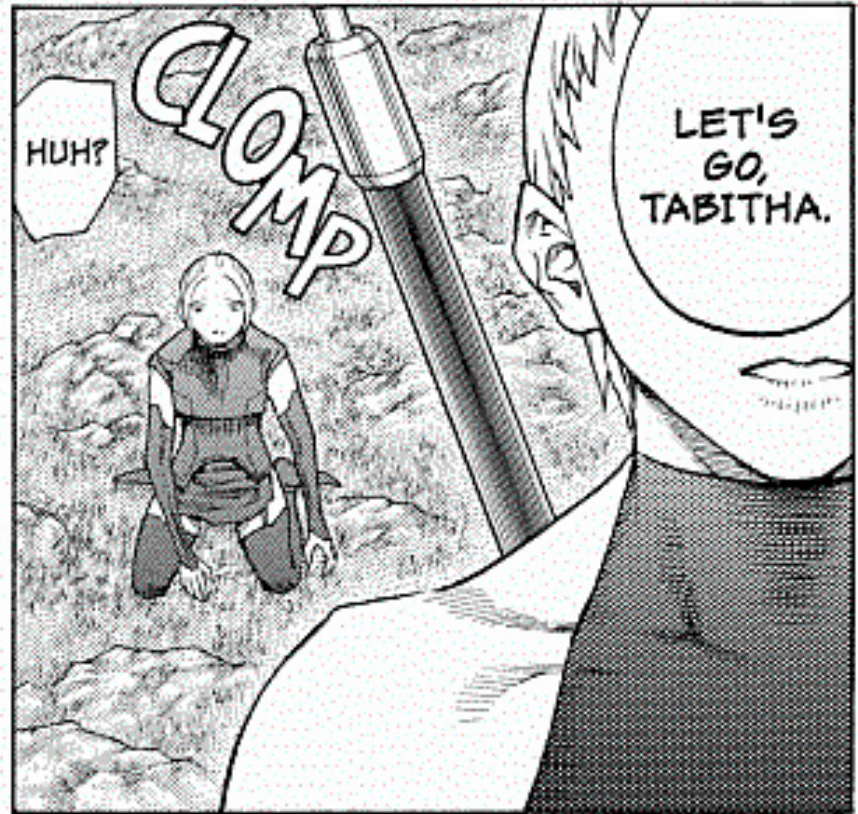
DO AS
YOU
WISH.



WE'RE
GOING
TO
BEAT
UP
MIRIA,
RIGHT?

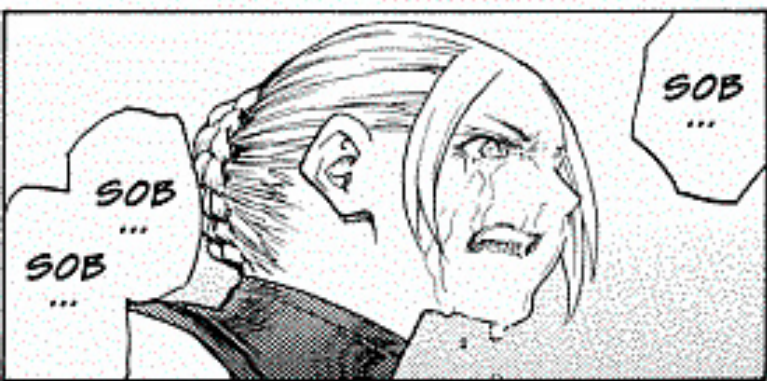
WHAT'S
THE
MATTER?

HUH?



LET'S
GO,
TABITHA.

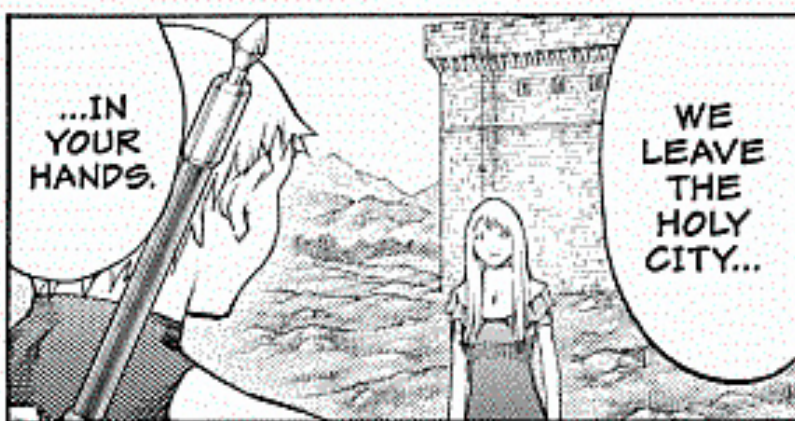
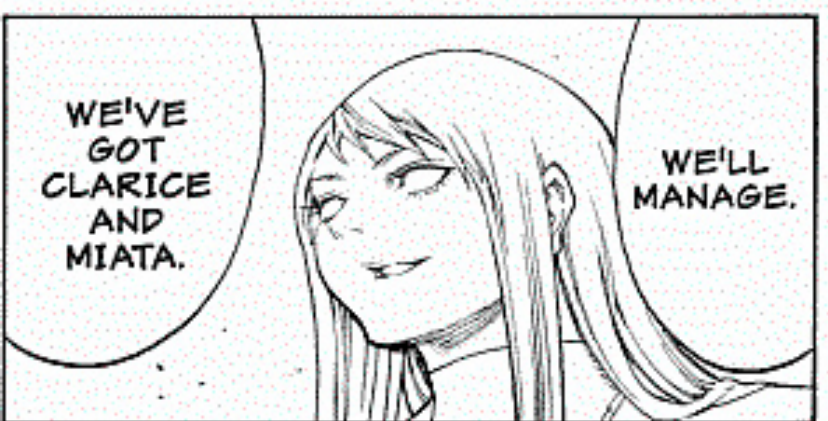
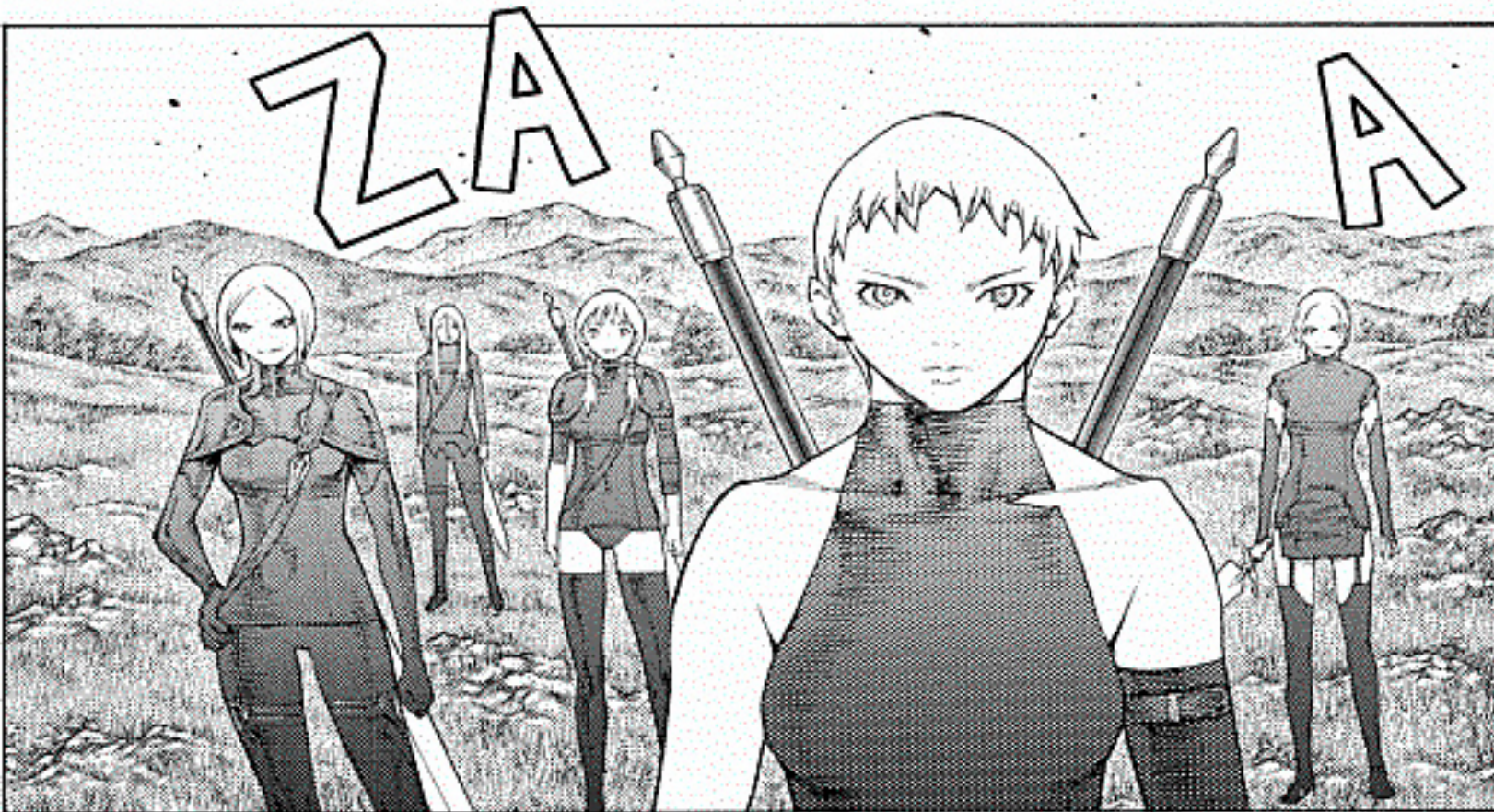
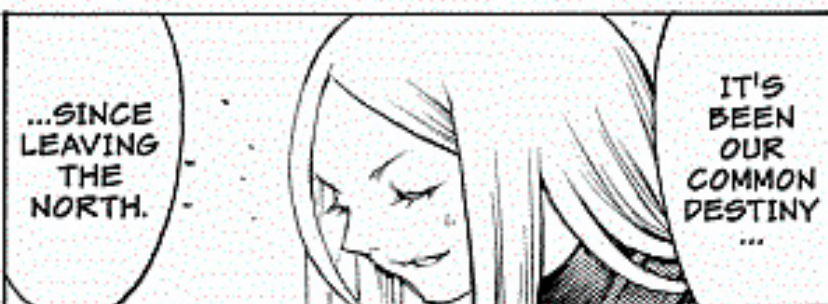
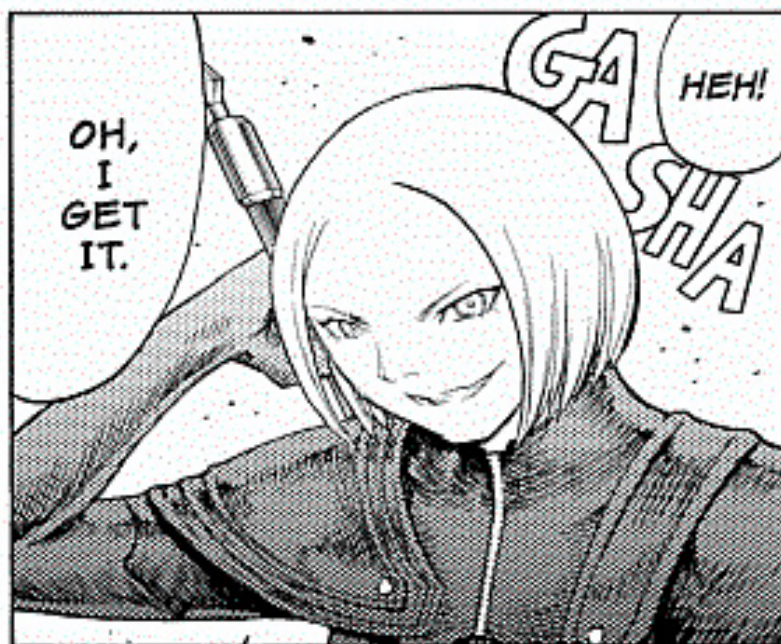
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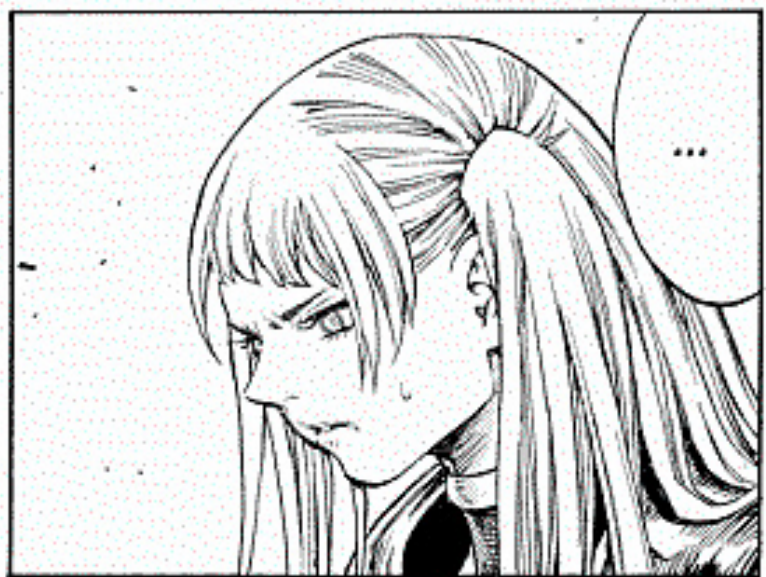
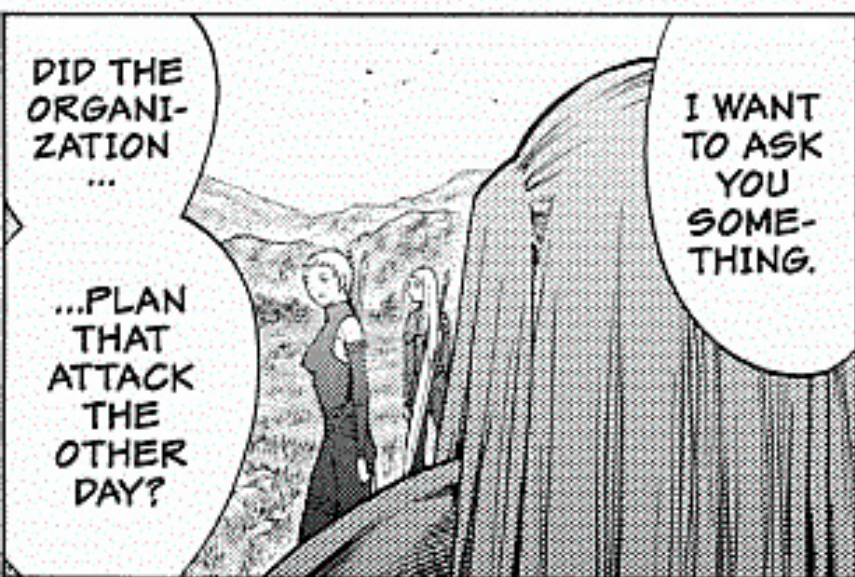
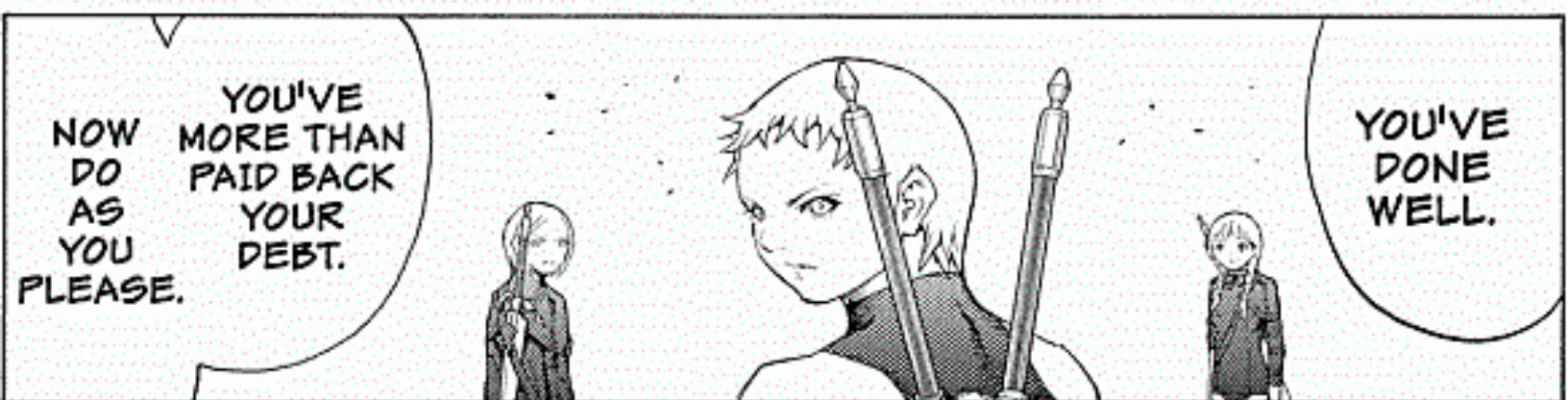
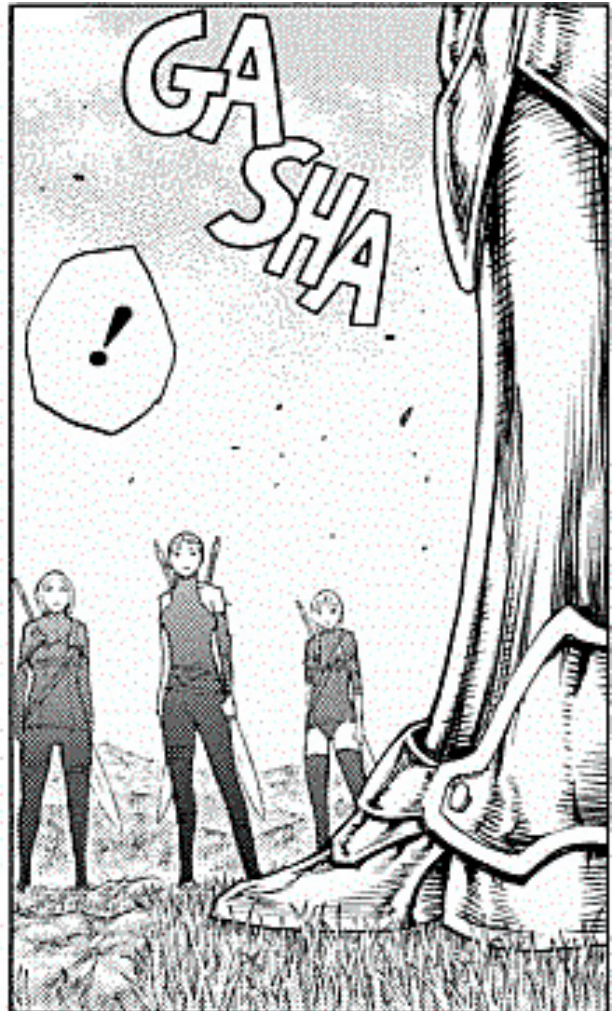
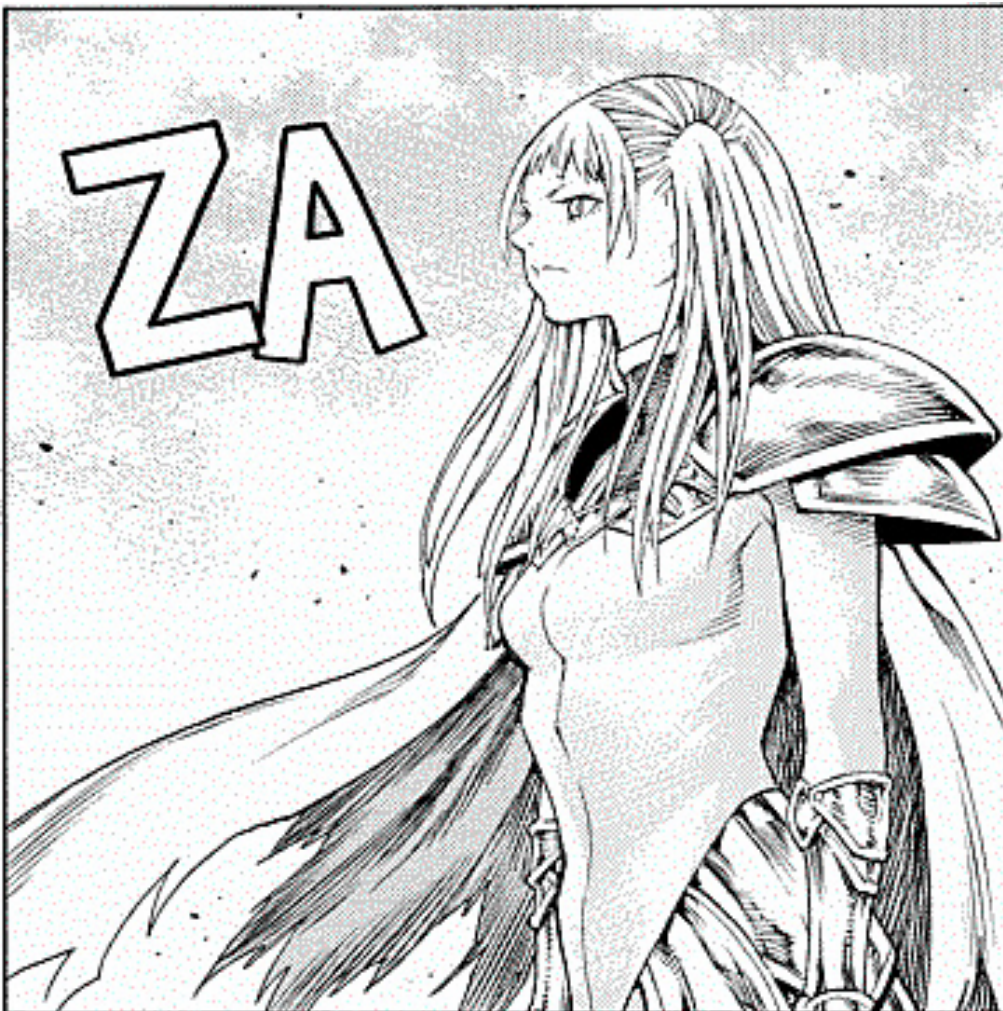


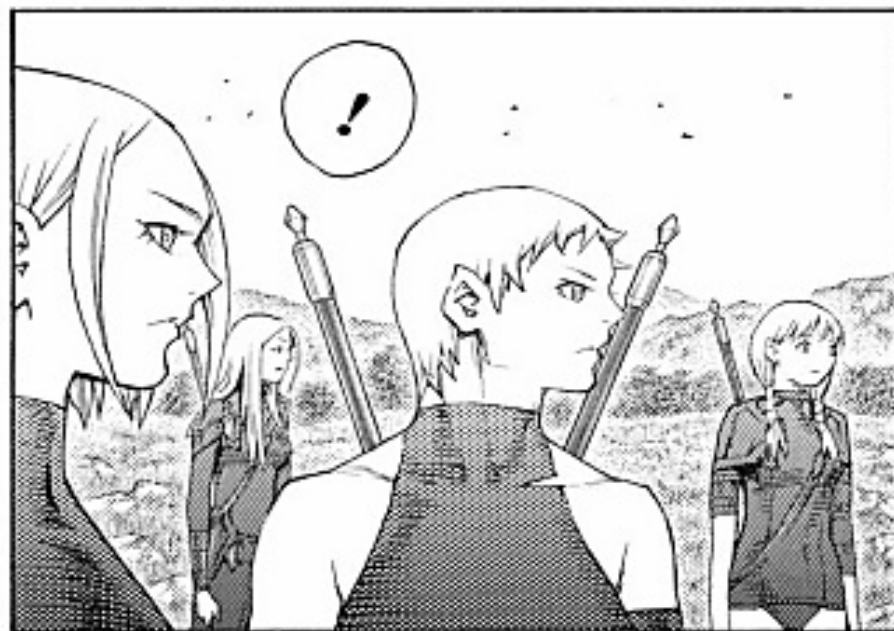
SOB
...

SOB
...

SOB
...









...SUFFERED
AN ATTACK
LIKE THE
ONE ON THE
HOLY CITY.

MY
HOME-
TOWN
...



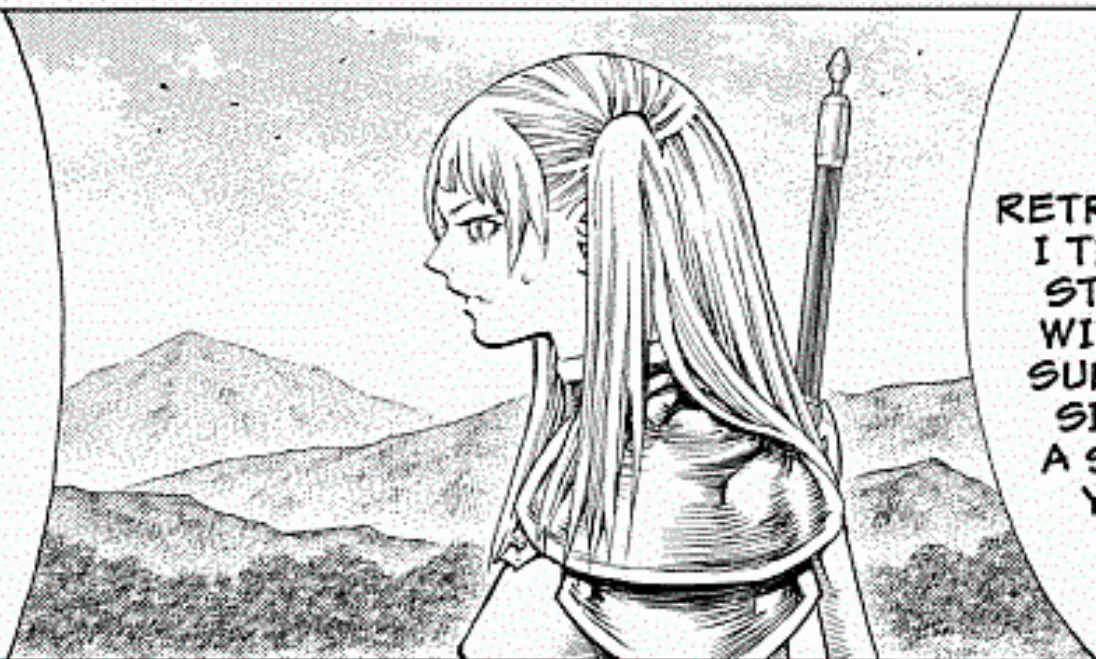
ALL I
COULD DO
WAS WATCH
AS BLOOD
BATHED THE
FACES OF MY
FRIENDS
AND FAMILY.

I WAS
SO YOUNG
THAT I
DIDN'T
UNDERSTAND
ANYTHING
THAT WAS
HAPPEN-
ING.

LATER,
I
LEARNED
THEY
WERE
CALLED
AWAKENED
BEINGS.

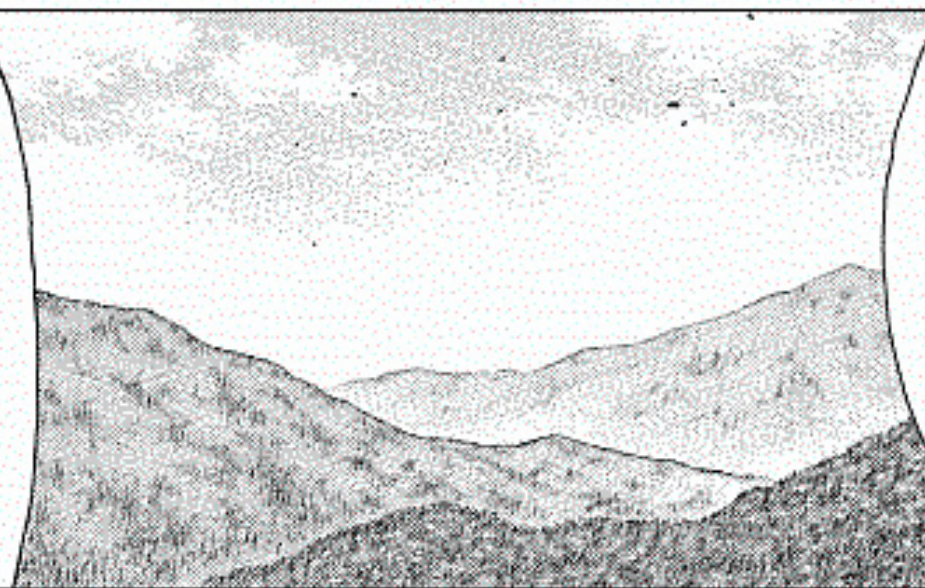
NUMEROUS
YOMA AND
MONSTERS
I'D NEVER
SEEN
BEFORE
ATTACKED.

I
REMEMBER
SEEING
THE
VILLAGE
ELDER
ARGUING
WITH A
MAN IN
BLACK.

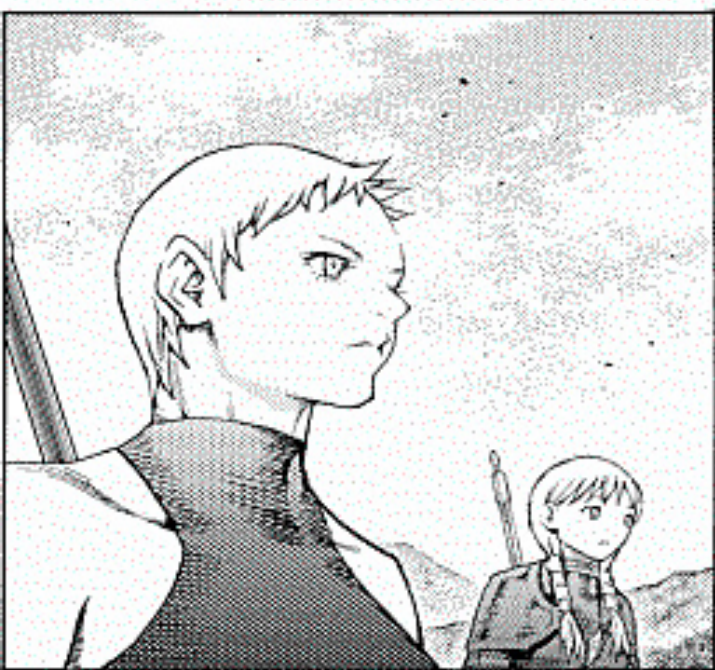


IN
RETROSPECT,
I THINK IT
STARTED
WITH THE
SUPPRES-
SION OF
A SINGLE
YOMA.

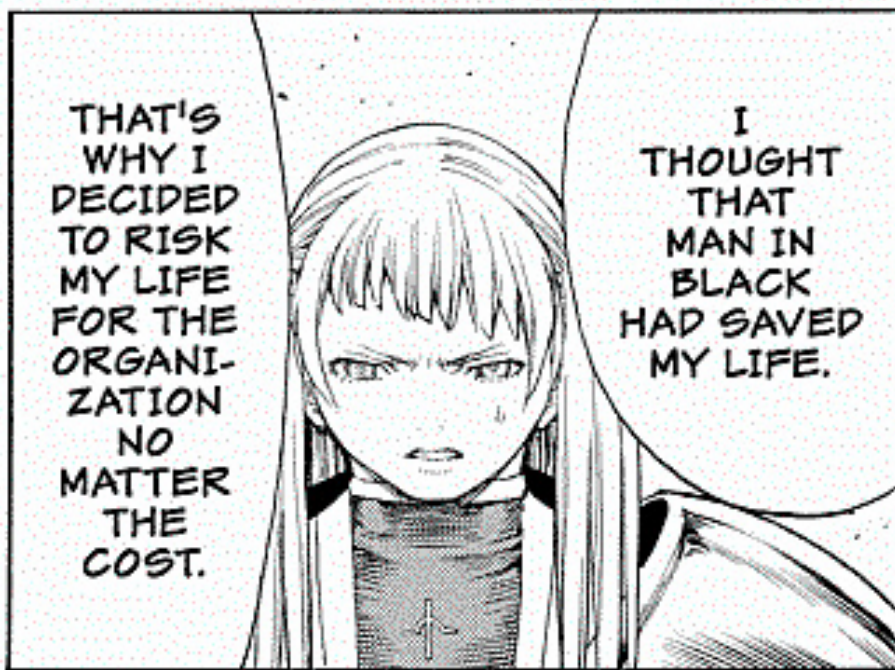
MIRACULOUSLY,
I SURVIVED
THAT HELLISH
SCENE AND
A MAN IN
BLACK
TOOK ME IN.



SOON
AFTER,
HORDES
OF YOMA
AND
AWAKENED
BEINGS
OVERRAN
THE
VILLAGE.



THAT'S
WHY I
DECIDED
TO RISK
MY LIFE
FOR THE
ORGANI-
ZATION
NO
MATTER
THE
COST.



I
THOUGHT
THAT
MAN IN
BLACK
HAD SAVED
MY LIFE.

...I
WANT
YOU TO
TELL
ME...

THAT'S
WHY...

...PLAN
THAT
ATTACK
THE
OTHER
DAY?

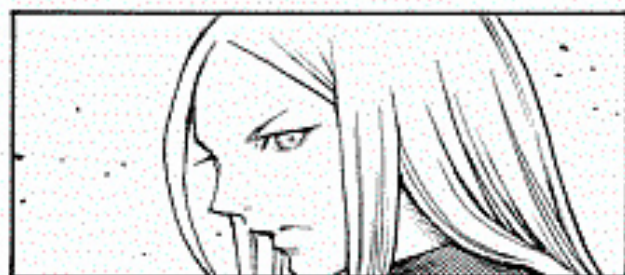
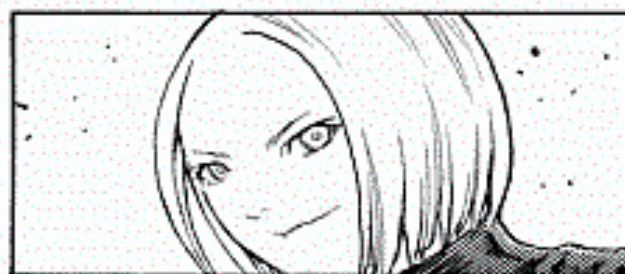
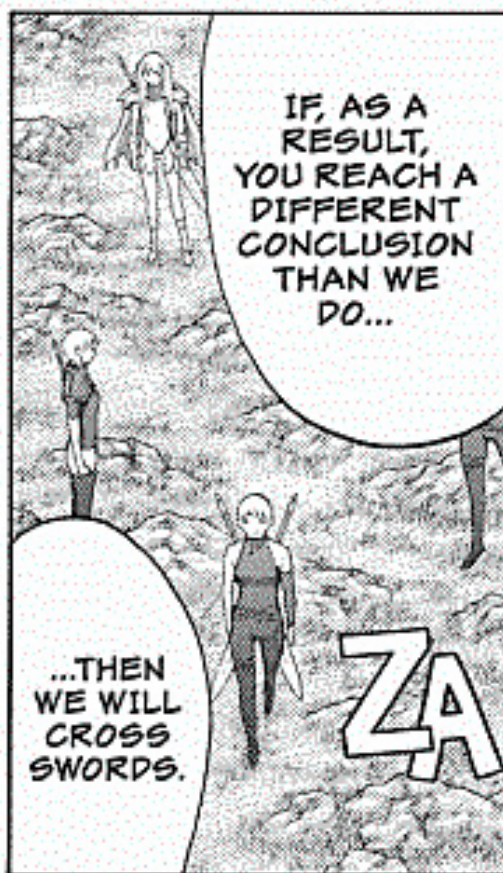
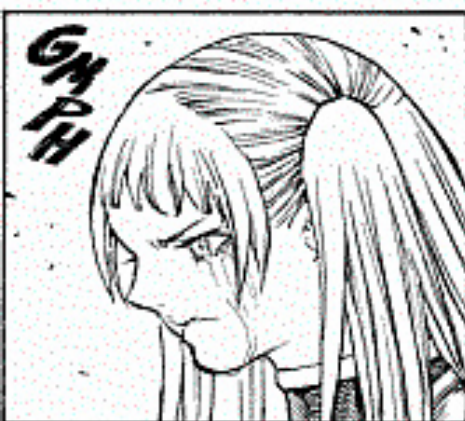
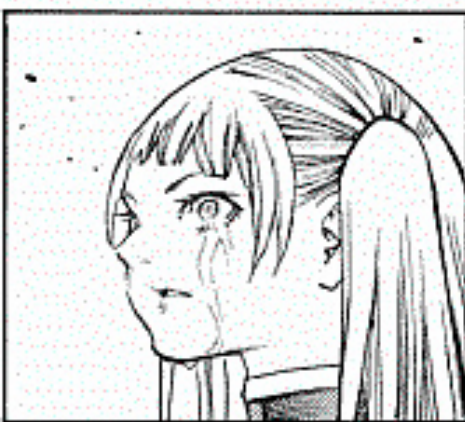
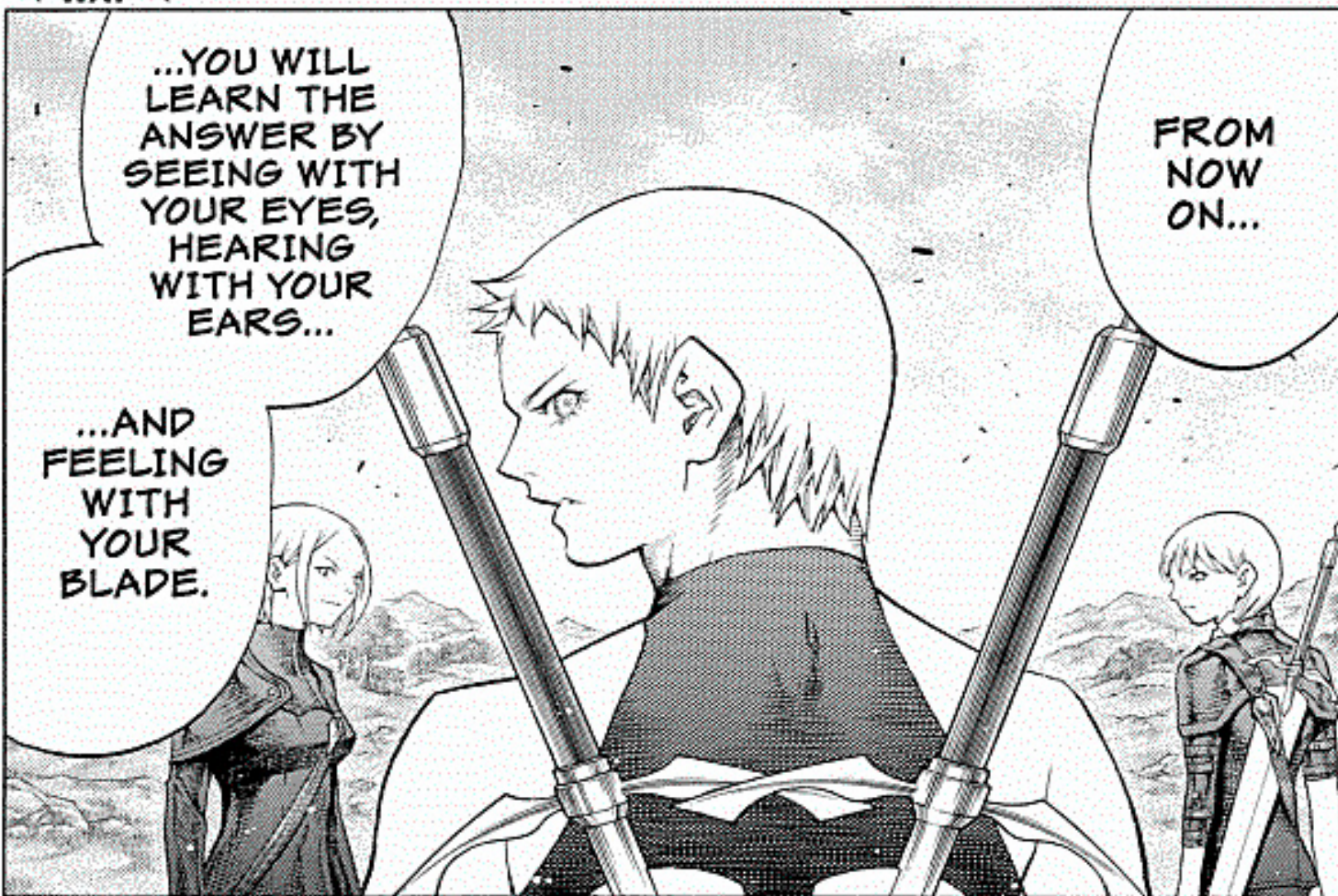
DID THE
ORGANI-
ZATION
...

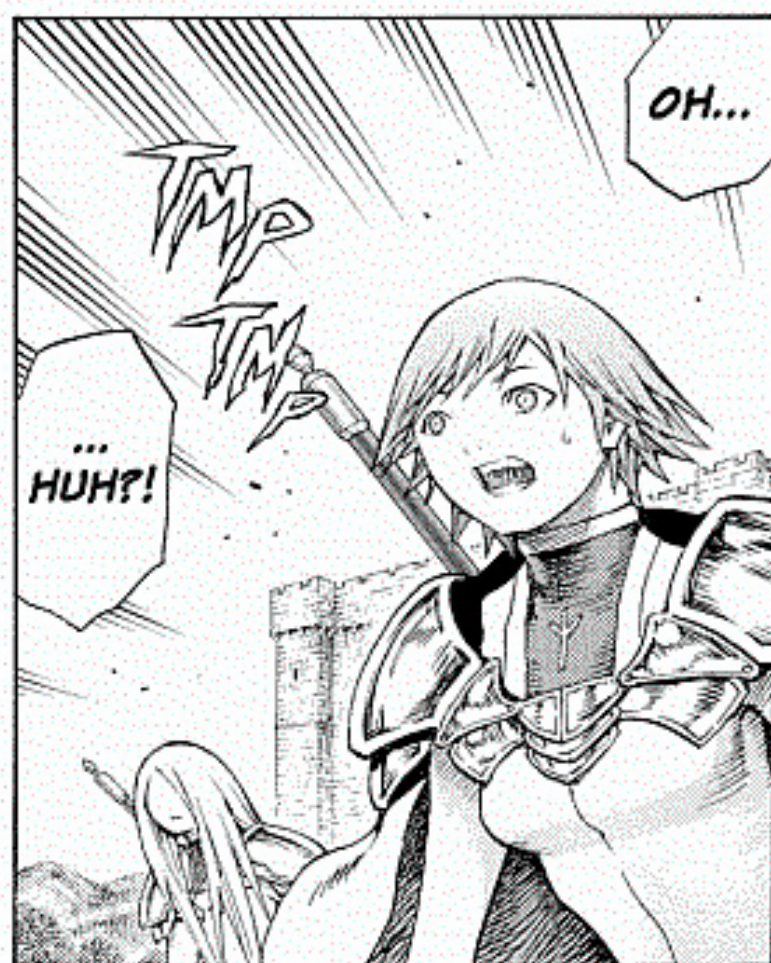
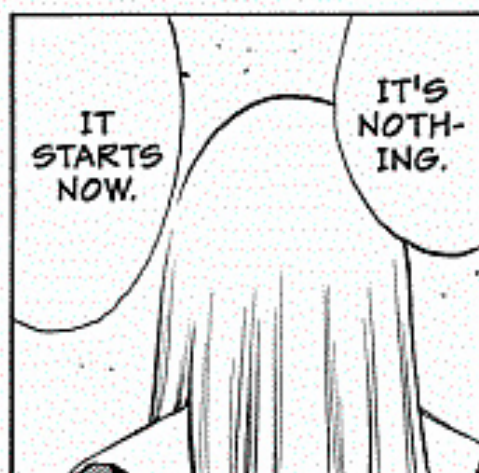
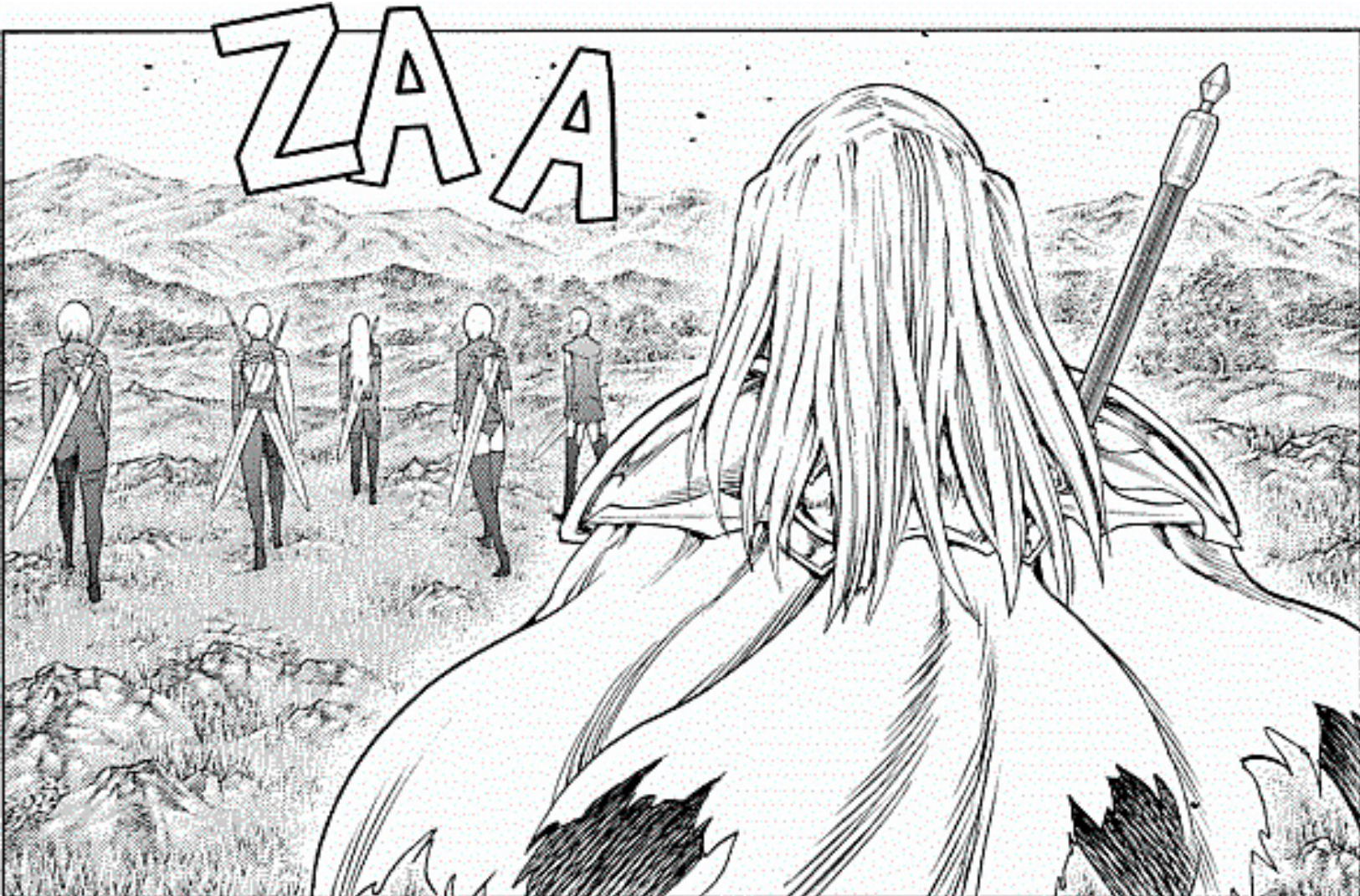
...DIE-
NICH!

TUM
P

COME
WITH
US...

!





...BUT NOW,
FOR THE
FIRST TIME,
I FEEL LIKE
PRAYING
TO THE
GOD OF
RABONA.



UNTIL
THIS,
I NEVER
BELIEVED
IN GOD...



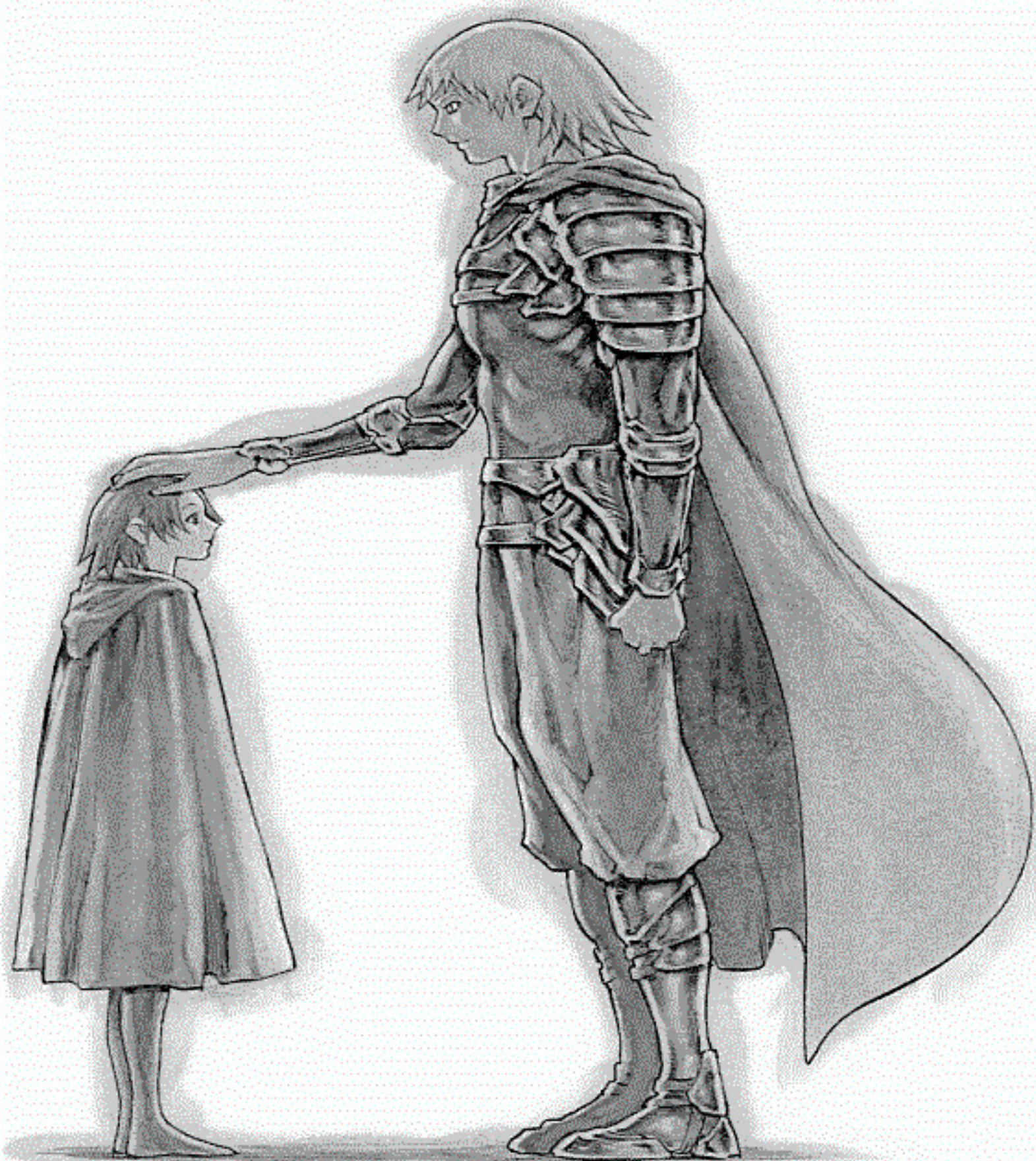
...AND IF
YOU CAN,
BRING
THE
SEVENTH
WITH YOU.

COME
BACK
ALIVE,
YOU SIX
WARRIORS
...

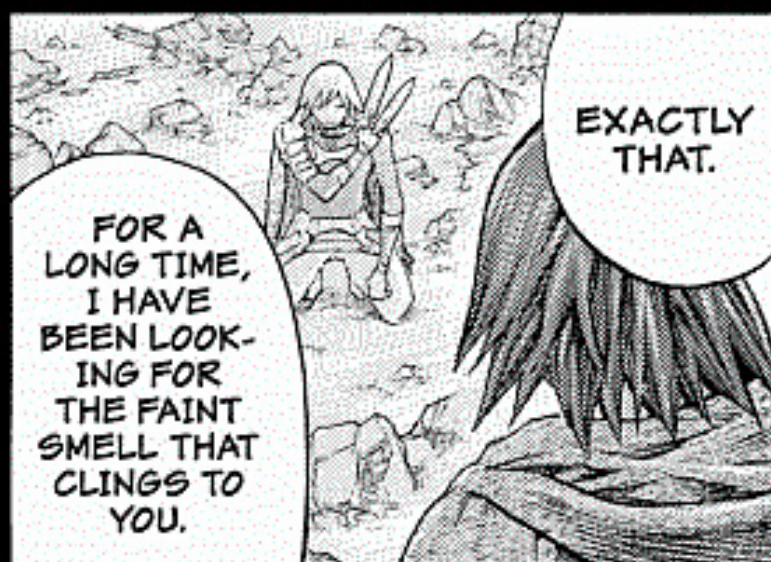
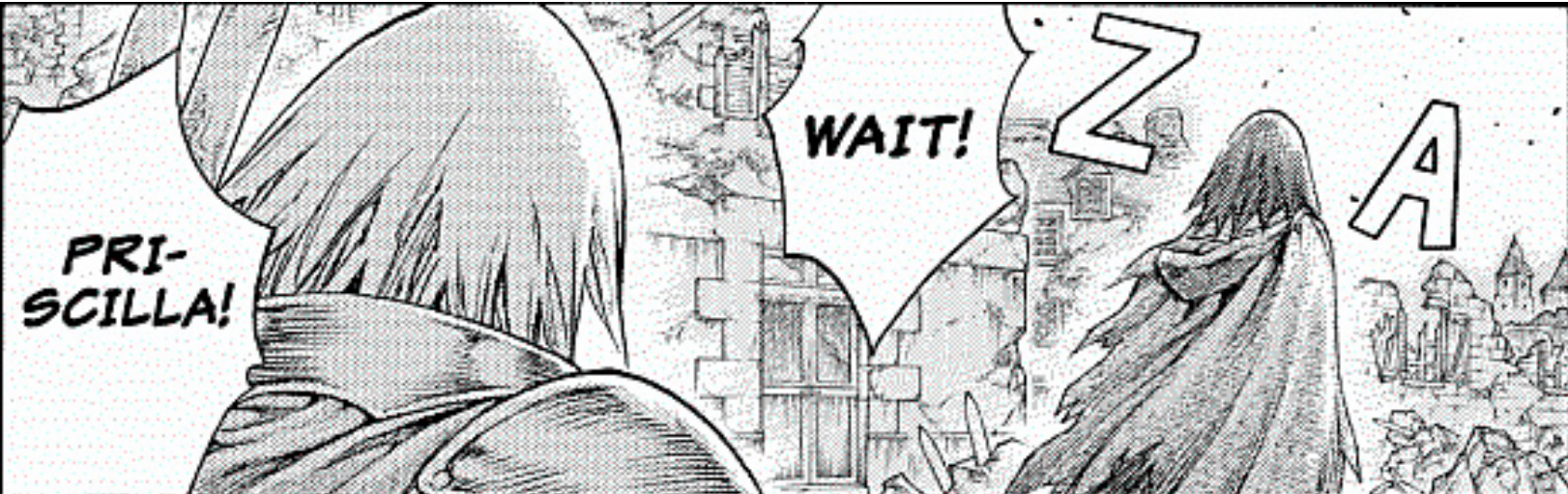
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SCENE 110: REMAINS OF THE DEMON CLAW, PART I



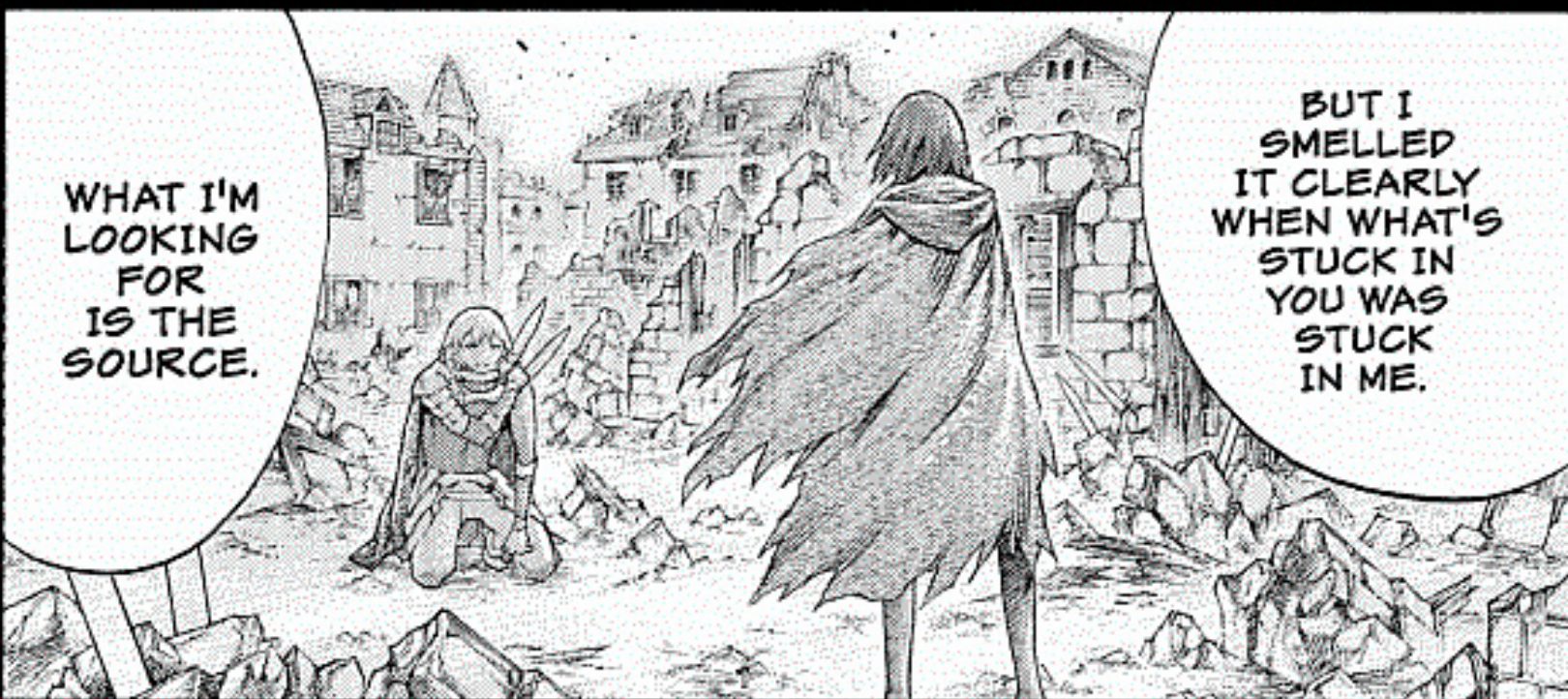






IT WAS
THERE A
LITTLE WHEN
WE FIRST MET,
BUT NOW IT IS
COMPLETELY
GONE.

YES,
BUT SO
FAINT THAT
IT IS
ABOUT TO
DISAPPEAR.



WHAT I'M
LOOKING
FOR
IS THE
SOURCE.

BUT I
SMELLED
IT CLEARLY
WHEN WHAT'S
STUCK IN
YOU WAS
STUCK
IN ME.



WHAT
IS THE
SMELL...

TELL
ME
ONE
THING.

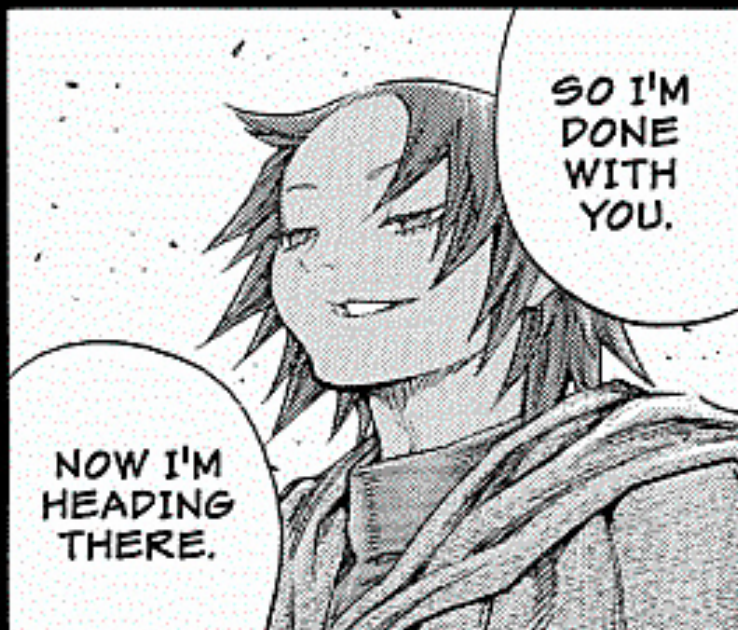
...
THAT
WAS
ON
ME?



HUFF

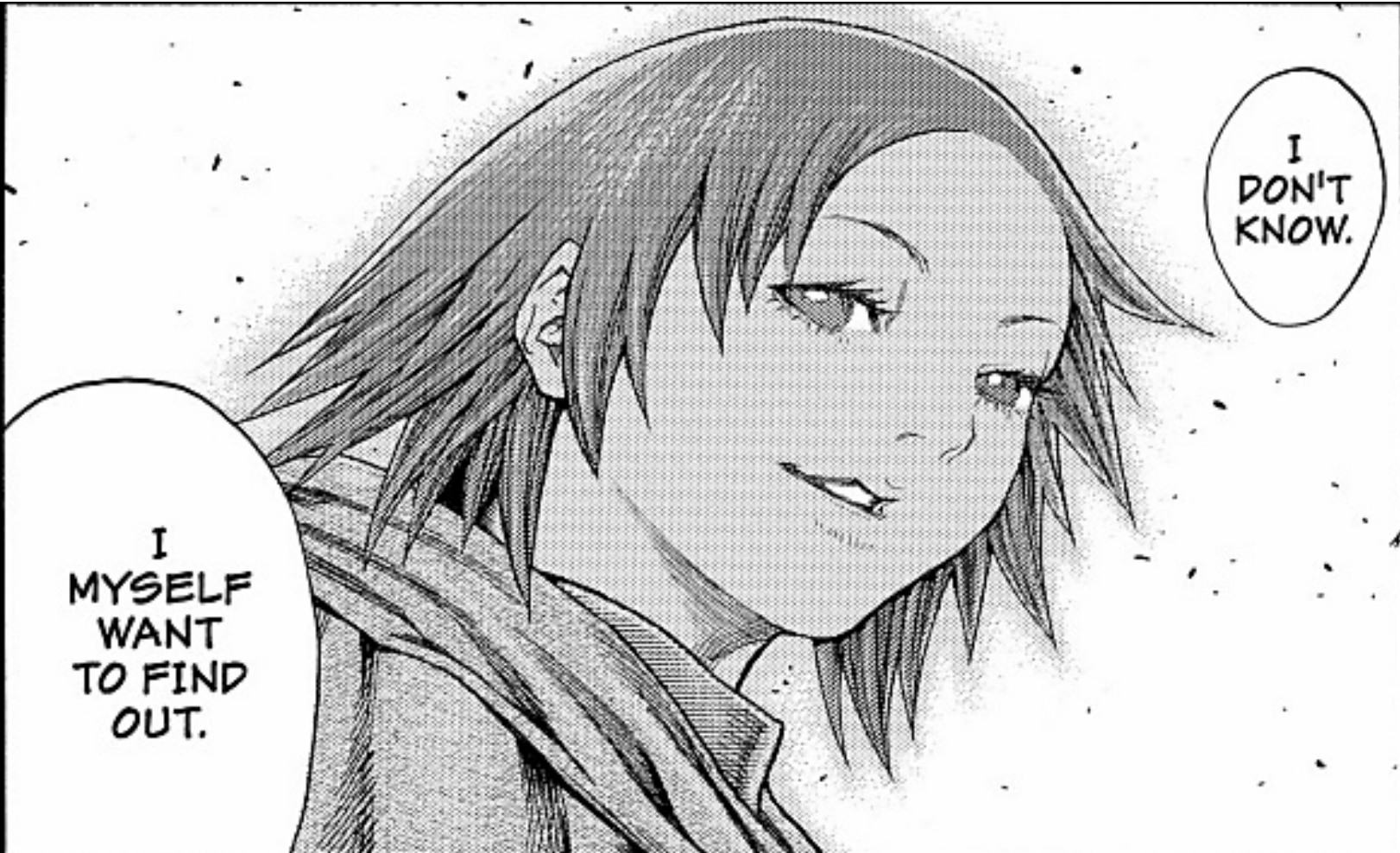
HUFF

HUFF



SO I'M
DONE
WITH
YOU.

NOW I'M
HEADING
THERE.



I
DON'T
KNOW.

I
MYSELF
WANT
TO FIND
OUT.



GRIP!



HUFF

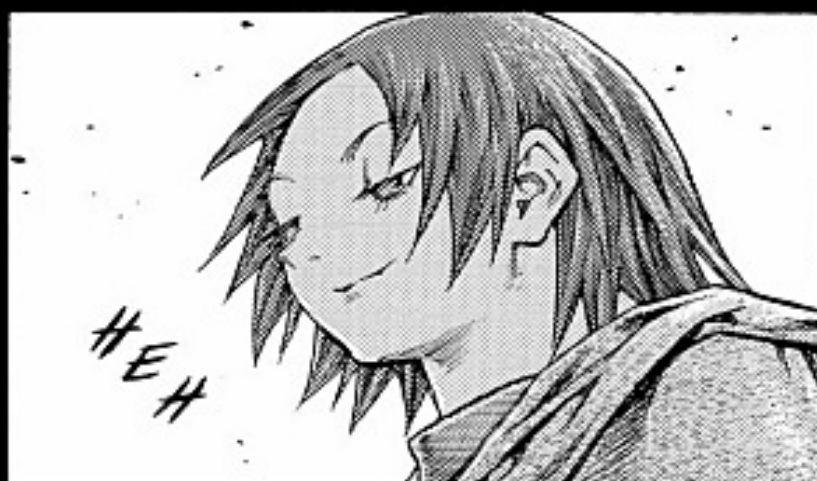
HUFF

THUD

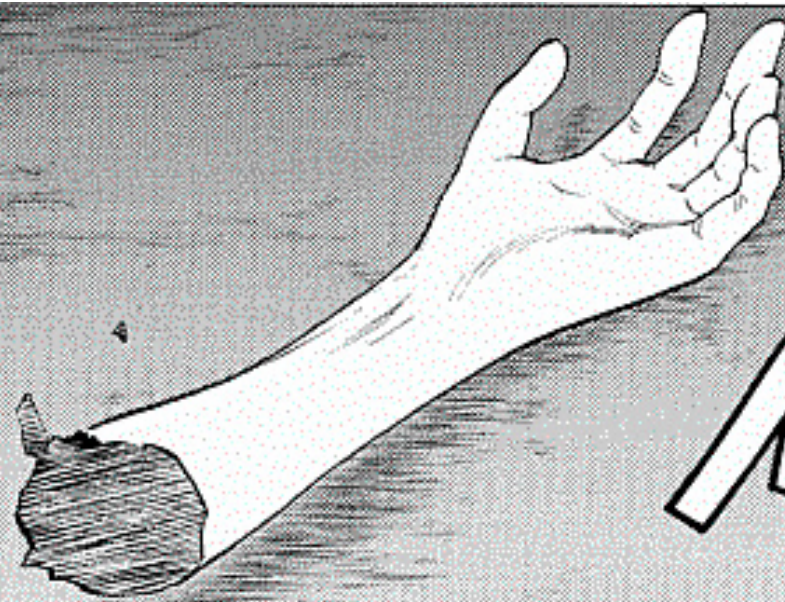


BUT IT
DISAP-
PEARED
WITH
TIME...

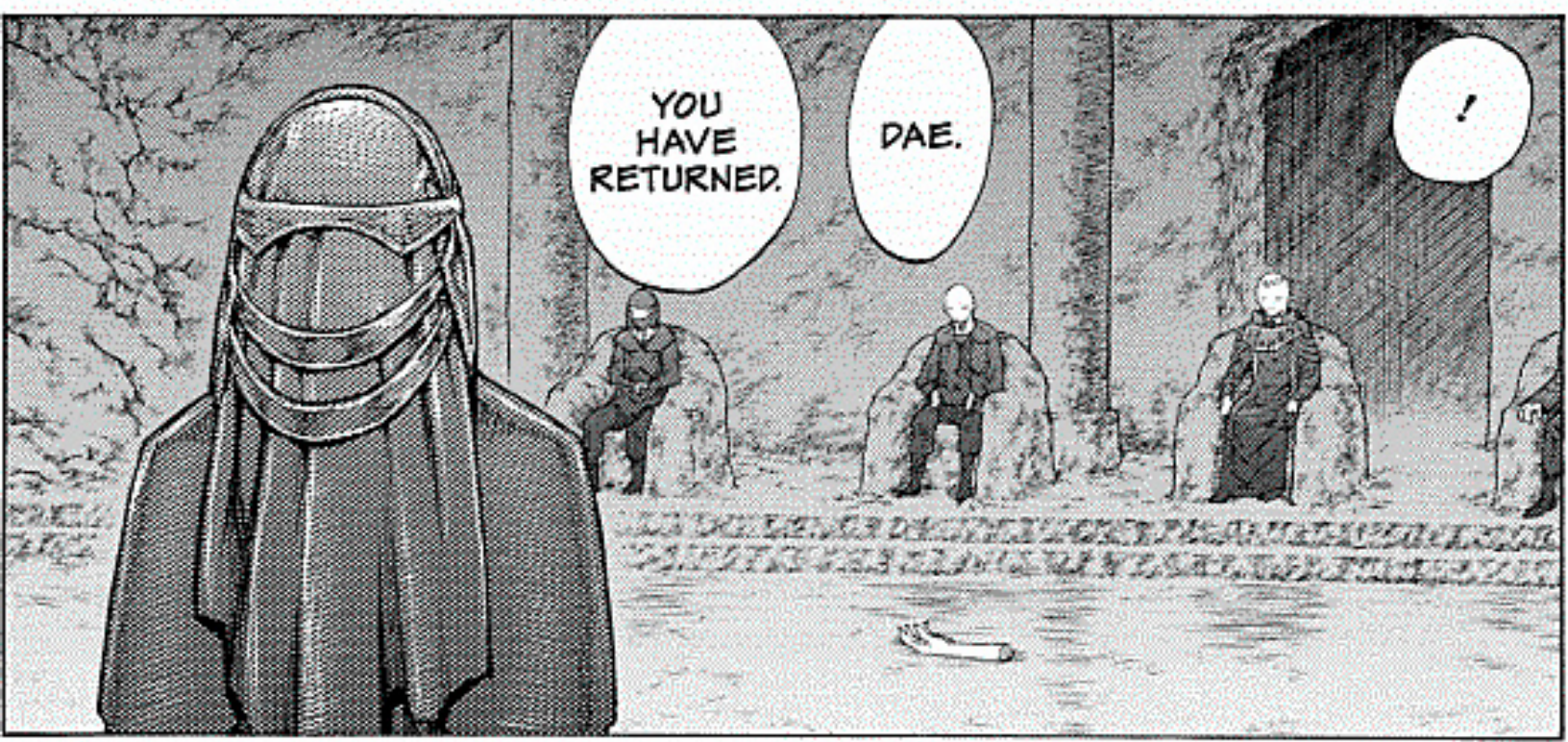
...SO IT
MUST
NOT BE
YOU OR
YOUR
FAMILY.



FU



MP



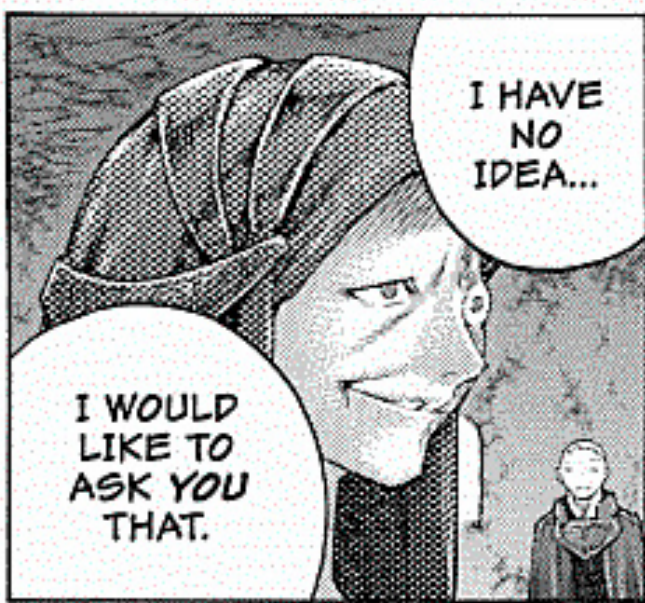
YOU
HAVE
RETURNED.

DAE.

!

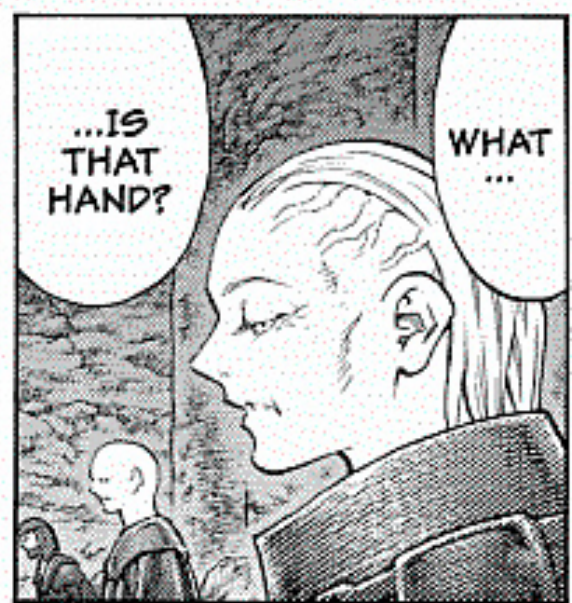


?



I HAVE
NO
IDEA...

I WOULD
LIKE TO
ASK YOU
THAT.



...IS
THAT
HAND?

WHAT
...

HE HAD
PROJECTILES
EMBEDDED
IN HIM THAT
CAME FROM
A FORM OF
STRENGTH
COMPARABLE
TO AN
ABYSSAL
ONE.

HE
WAS IN
AGONY.

I FOUND
A
STRANGE
MAN
IN THE
WEST.

...BUT THAT
MAN WAS NOT
CORRUPTED
OR KILLED,
AND LIVED ON
IN POSSESSION
OF HIS HUMAN
CONSCIOUS-
NESS.

USUALLY,
SUCH OBJECTS
WILL EAT INTO
THE VICTIM'S
FLESH AND
CAUSE HIM
TO DIE...

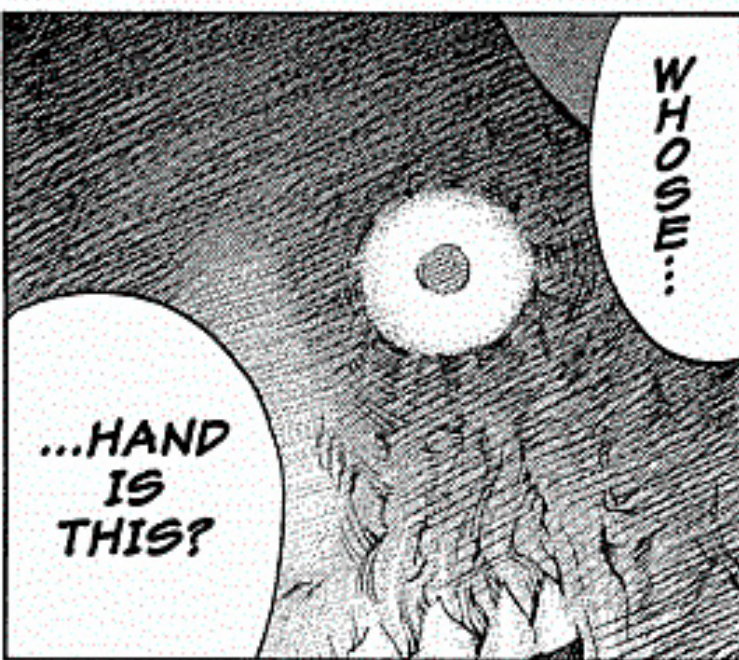
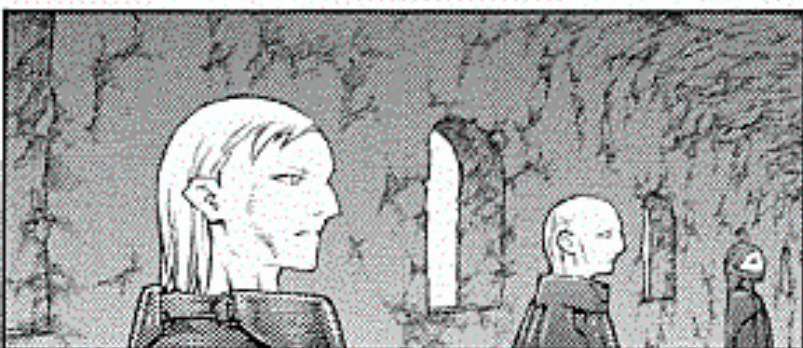
SWP

THE
REASON
HE WAS
NOT
CORRUPTED
IS
STRIKINGLY
SIMPLE.

FASCINATED,
I
CAREFULLY
TRANS-
PORTED
HIM BACK
TO THE
ORGANI-
ZATION.

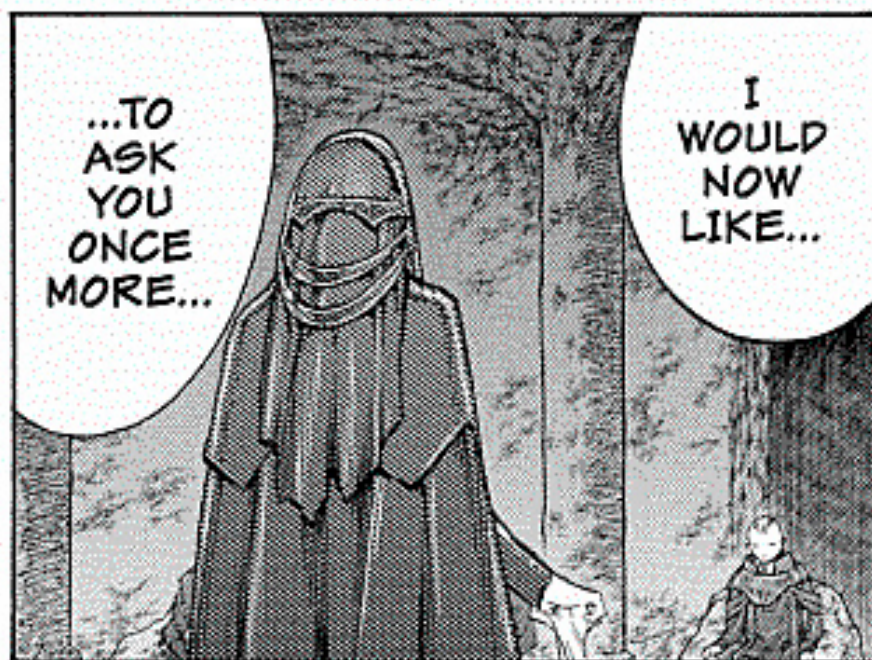
...
COUNTERED
THE
EFFECT
OF THAT
WHICH
CORRUPTS
ANYTHING
LIVING.

THIS
LEFT
HAND
STUCK
INTO
HIS
BACK...



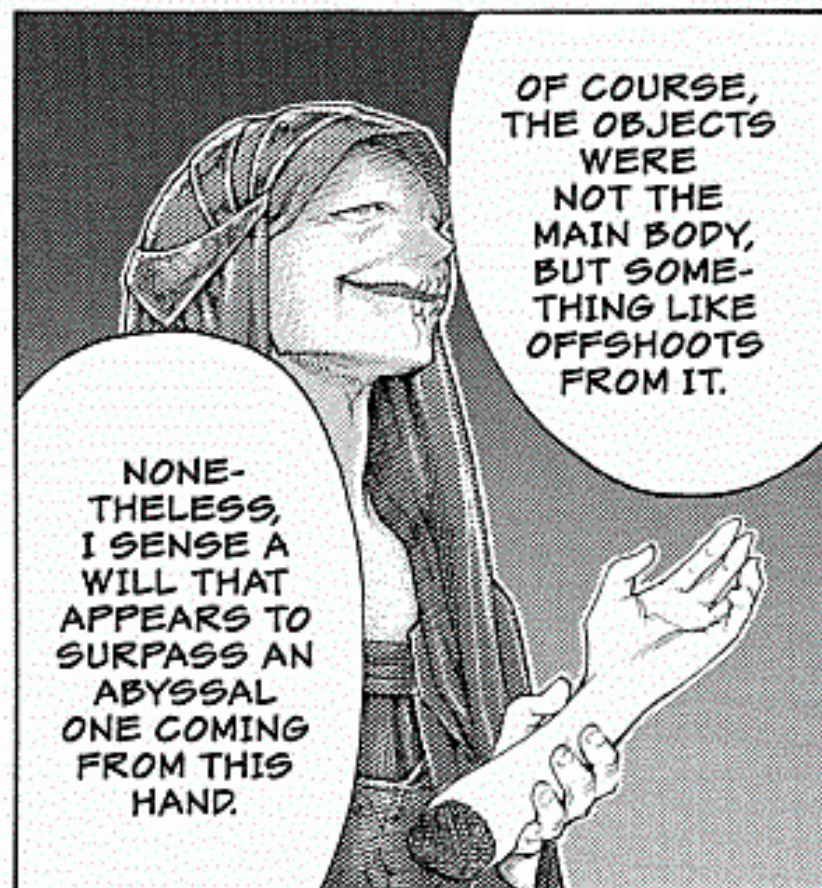
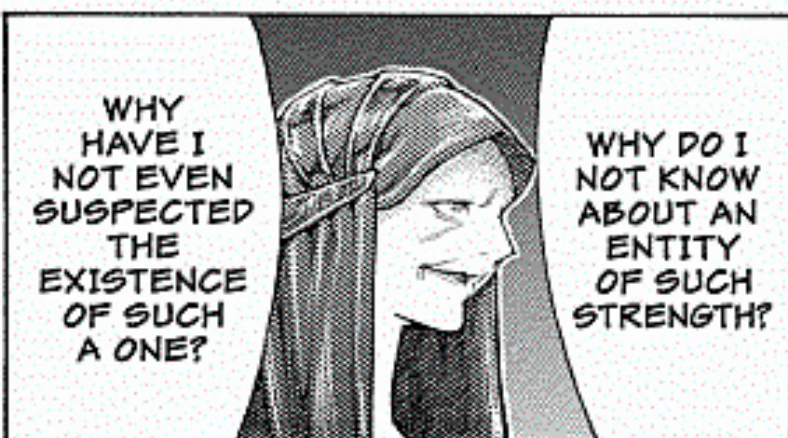
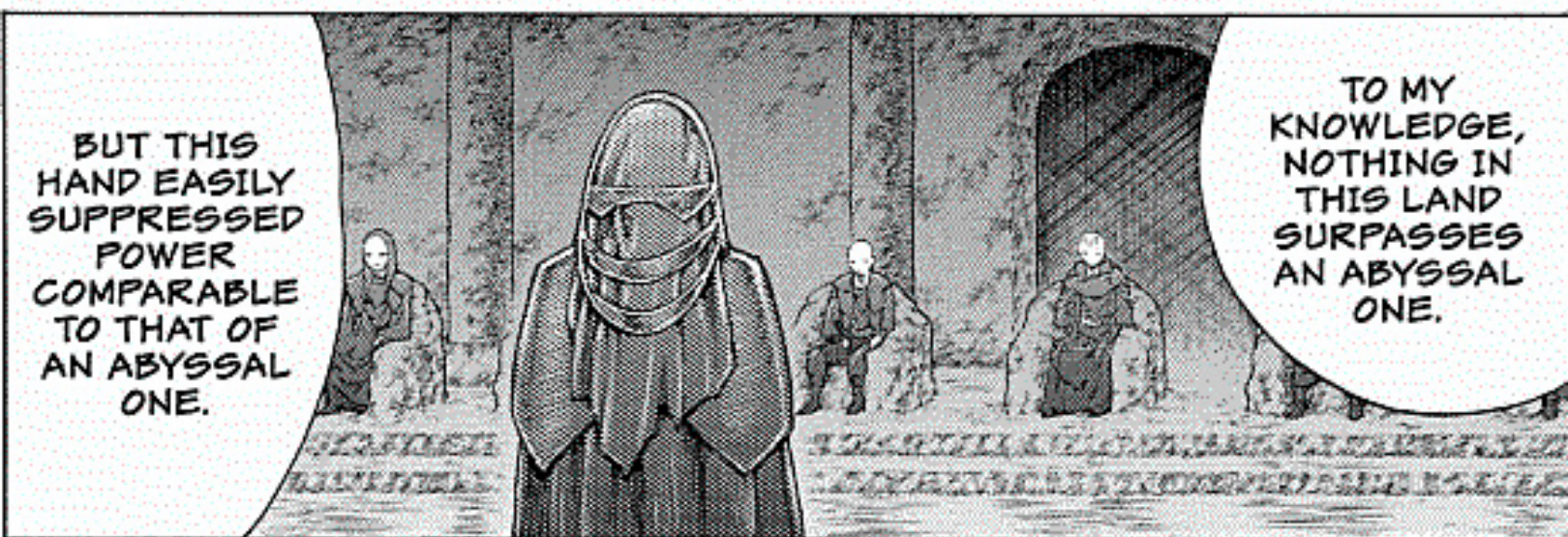
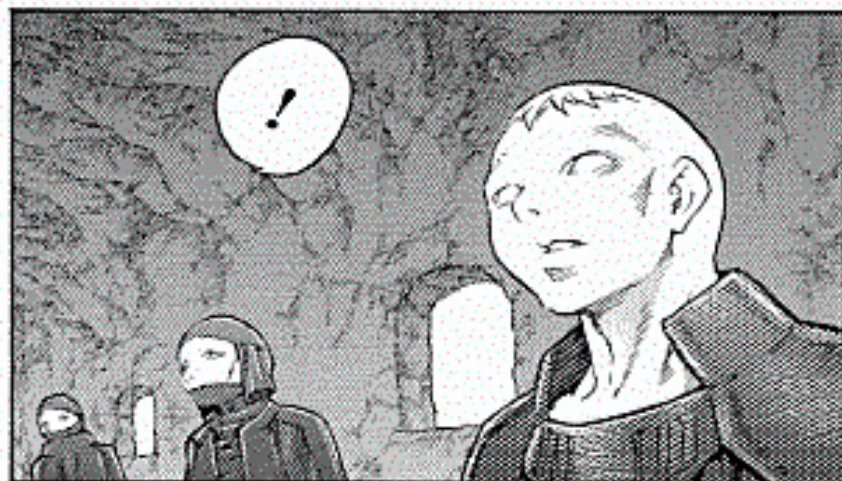
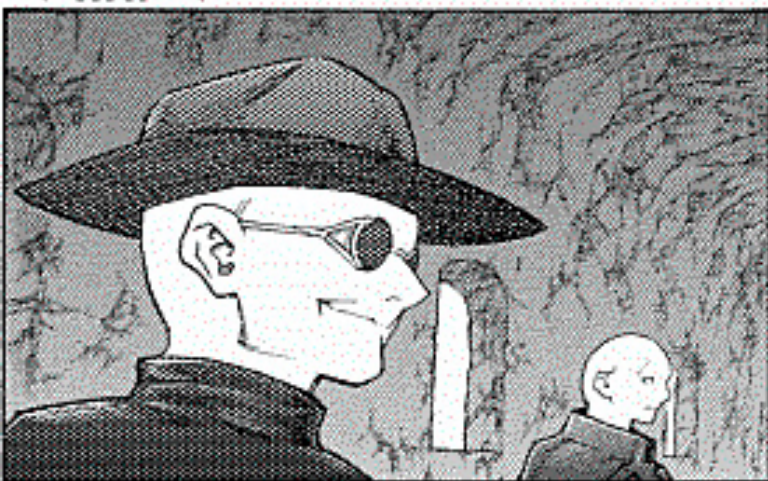
WHOSE...

...HAND
IS
THIS?



...TO
ASK
YOU
ONCE
MORE...

I
WOULD
NOW
LIKE...



...DID
NOT
ACT
OPENLY
...

OF
COURSE,
ONE
REASON
MAY BE
THAT THE
ENTITY
...

WHAT
ARE
YOU
TRYING
TO
SAY?

...

...HAS
INTEN-
TIONALLY
DISTORTED
AND HIDDEN
THAT
INFOR-
MATION.

...BUT I
THINK
THERE IS A
POSSIBILITY
THAT
SOMEONE...

IT WAS
A NAME
GIVEN
TO...

...A
NUMBER
ONE
WHO
AWAK-
ENED.

LET US
CHANGE
OUR
PERSPEC-
TIVE.

...

I ASK
YOU, MY
BROTHERS,
WHAT IS THE
STANDARD
BY WHICH
AN ABYSSAL
ONE IS AN
ABYSSAL
ONE?

EXACTLY.

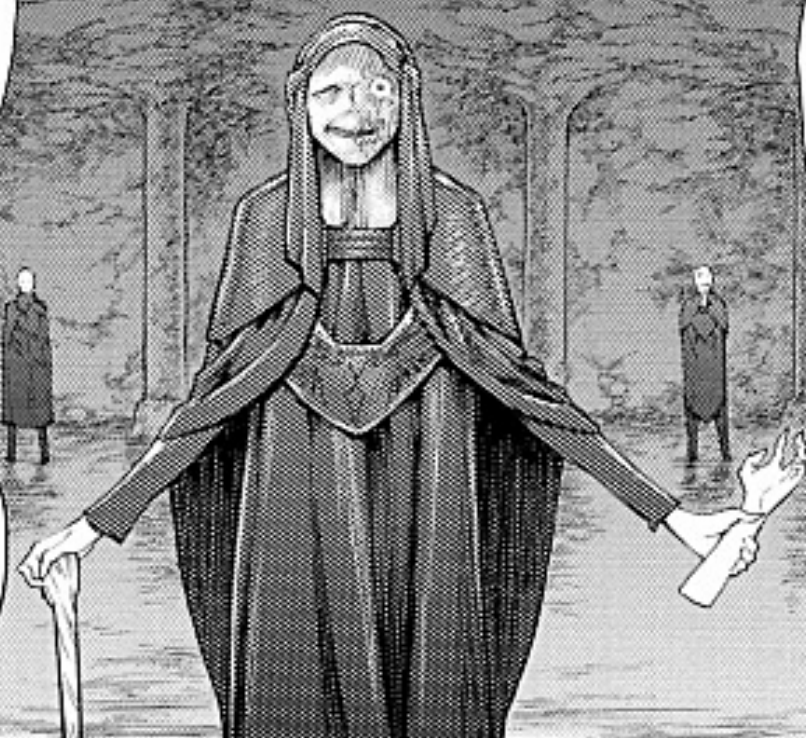
...SO
I WILL
NOT PRY
ANY
FURTHER.

WELL,
THAT
IS NOT
WITHIN
MY
DOMAIN
...

THE YOUNGEST
EVER TO CLIMB
TO NUMBER ONE—
EMPRESS RIFUL,
THE EMPRESS
WHO LIVES IN
THE WEST.

NUMBER ONE
IN THE MALE
PERIOD—
ISLEY THE
SILVER,
WHO LIVES
IN THE
NORTH.

AND LUCIELA—
THE ELDEST
OF THE SISTERS,
WHO AWAKENED
IN A FAILED
EXPERIMENT IN
YOMA POWER
HARMONIZATION.



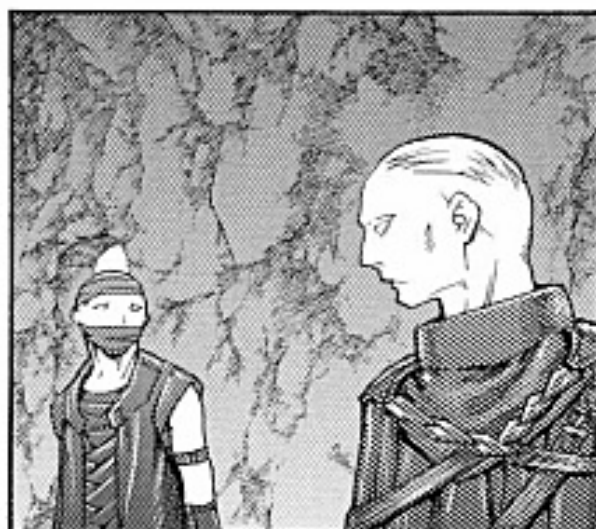
...WITH
THE
CAPACITY
TO
SURPASS
THEM.

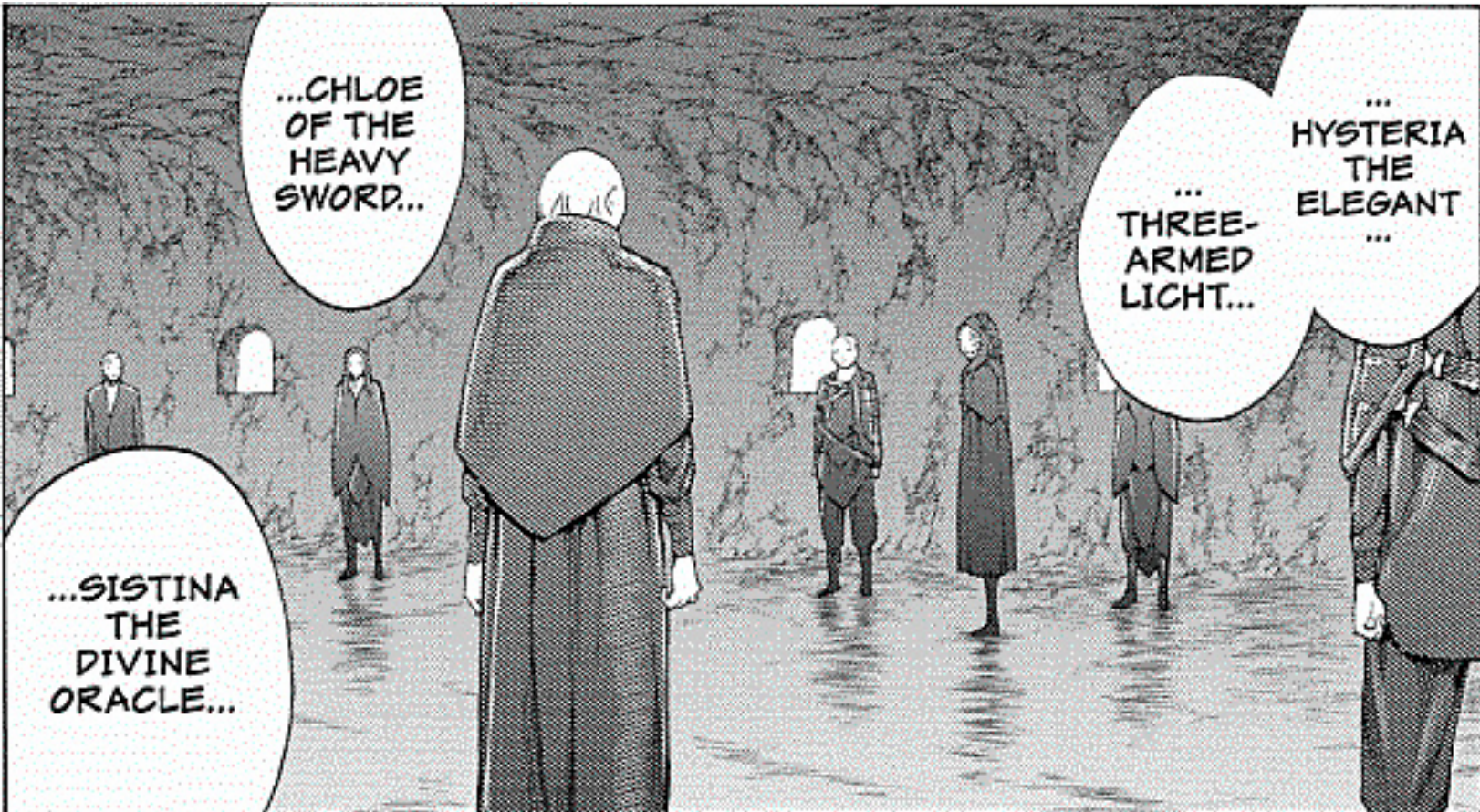
TELL ME
THE
NAMES
OF
WARRIORS
...



...THOSE
NUMBER
ONES WHOSE
LIVES ENDED
WITHOUT
AWAKENING
ARE...

ASIDE
FROM
WHETHER
THEY CAN
BE SUR-
PASSED...



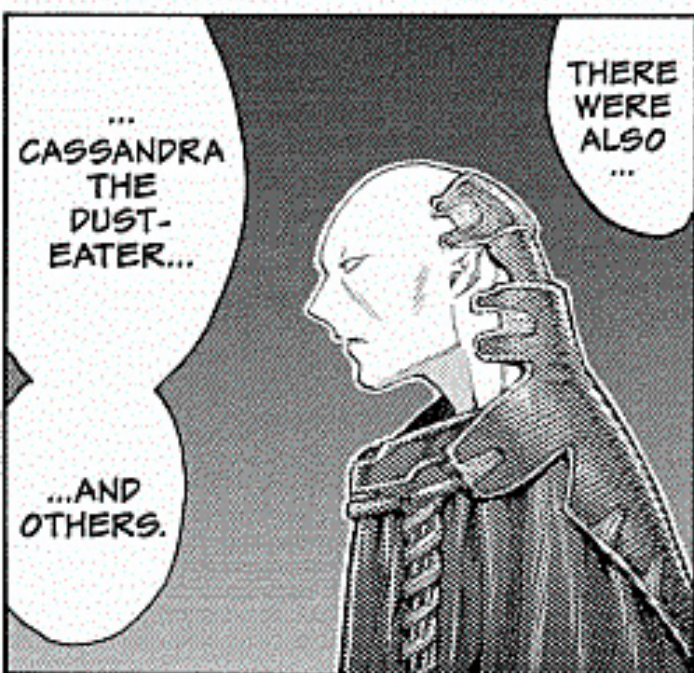


...CHLOE
OF THE
HEAVY
SWORD...

...
HYSTERIA
THE
ELEGANT
...

...
THREE-
ARMED
LIGHT...

...SISTINA
THE
DIVINE
ORACLE...



THERE
WERE
ALSO
...

...WHO
CAUSED
QUITE
A LOT OF
TROUBLE.

...
ROXANNE
OF
LOVE
AND
HATE...



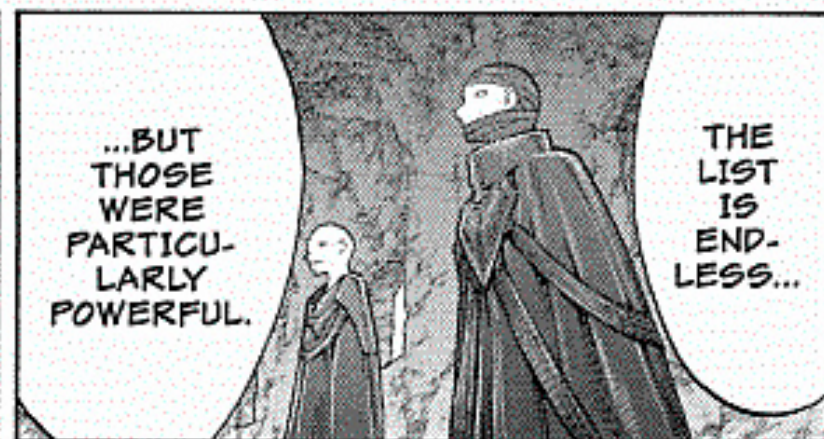
...UNI-
VERSAL
LUTECIA
...

...
TERESA
OF THE
FAINT
SMILE
...



AS THE
ONE WHO
EXAMINED
THEIR
CORPSES,
YOU KNOW
THAT
BETTER
THAN
ANYONE.

BUT WE
HAVE
CON-
FIRMED
THE
DEATHS
OF
ALL OF
THOSE.

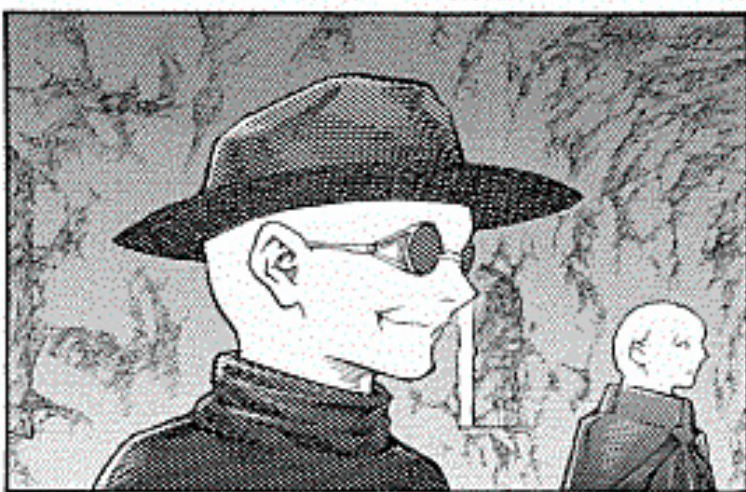


...BUT
THOSE
WERE
PARTICU-
LARLY
POWERFUL.

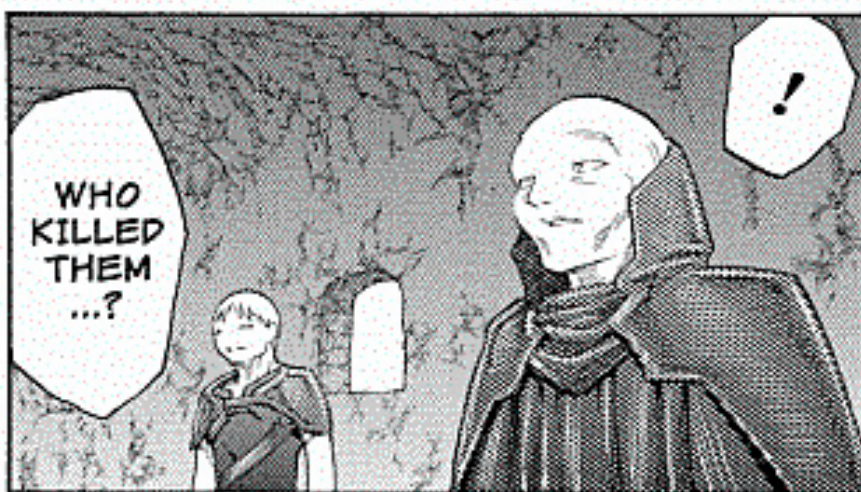
THE
LIST
IS
END-
LESS...

...HOW
ABOUT
THE
ONES
WHO
KILLED
THEM?

THEN
...



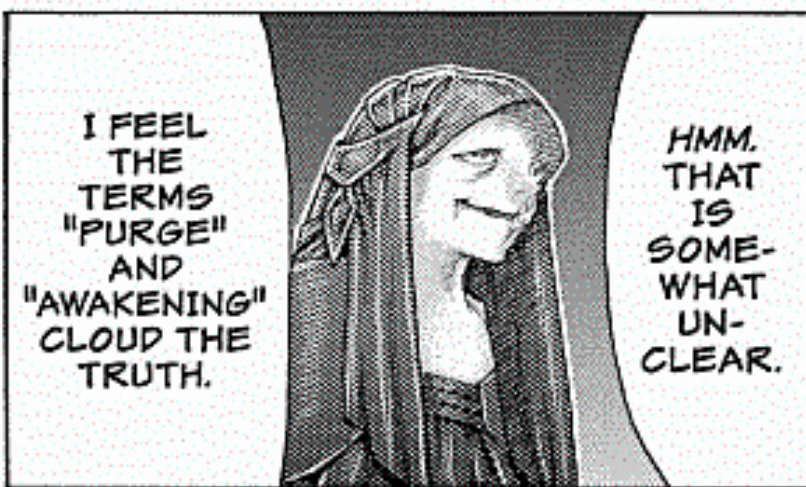
WHO
KILLED
THEM
...?



!

I FEEL
THE
TERMS
"PURGE"
AND
"AWAKENING"
CLOUD THE
TRUTH.

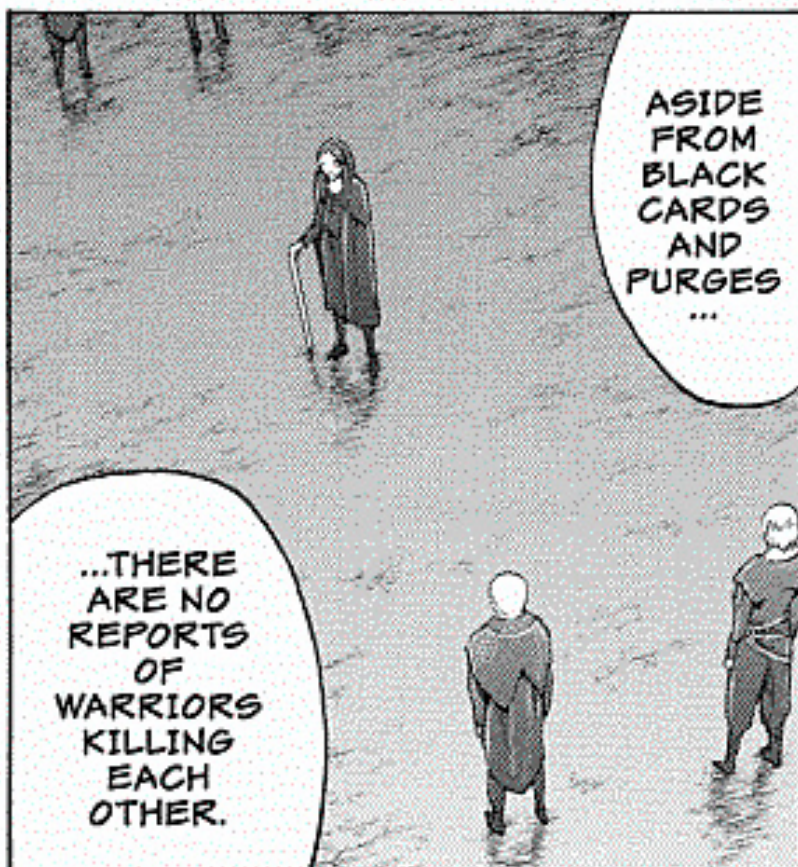
HMM.
THAT
IS
SOME-
WHAT
UN-
CLEAR.



ASIDE
FROM
BLACK
CARDS
AND
PURGES
...

...THERE
ARE NO
REPORTS
OF
WARRIORS
KILLING
EACH
OTHER.

ANY-
WAY...



PESTER
US
ALL YOU
WANT...

...BUT NONE
OF US CAN
PROVIDE
AS CLEAR
AN ANSWER
AS YOU.

...
CLARIFYING
THE
IDENTITY
OF THAT
LEFT HAND
IS IN YOUR
DOMAIN.

THIS
DIS-
CUSSION
IS
OVER.

I
ENTRUST
THE
MATTER
TO YOU.

...
LAVISH
PRAISE.

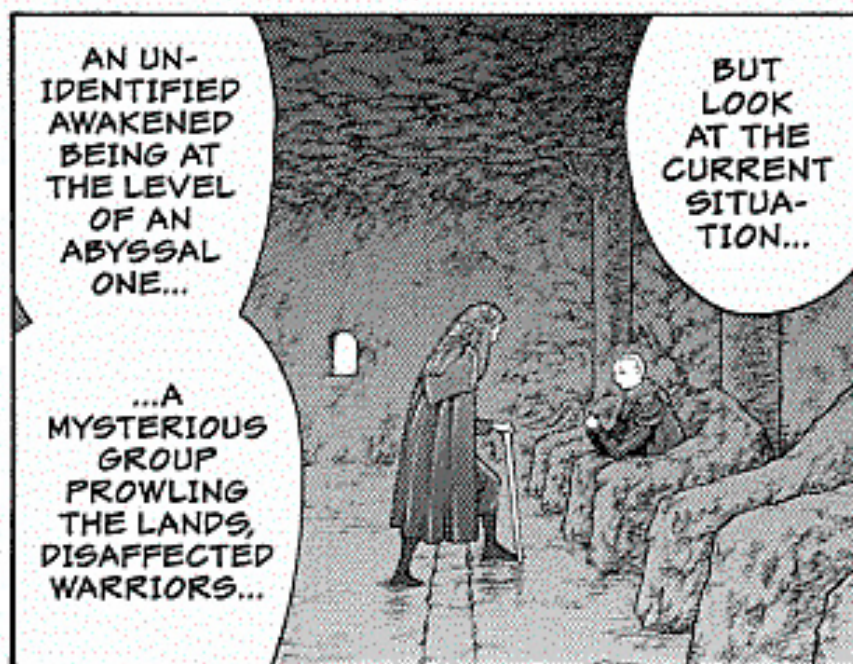
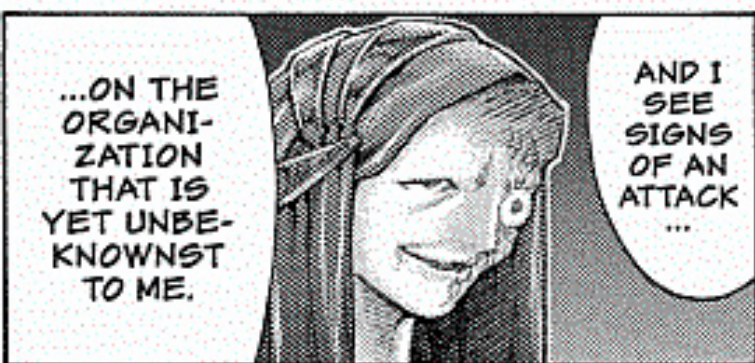
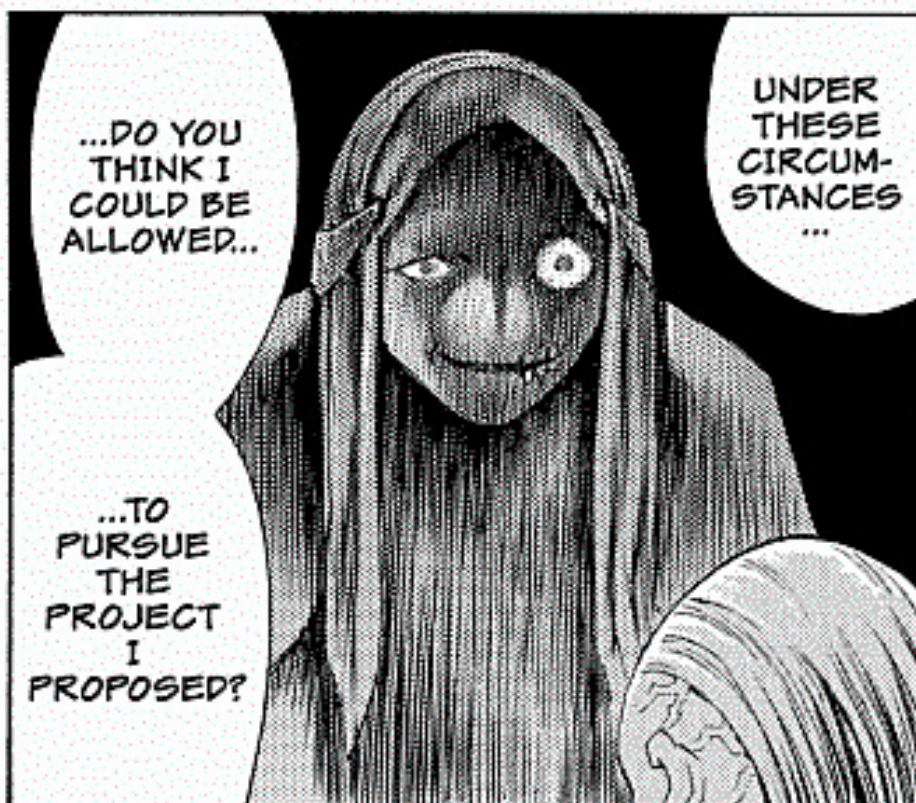
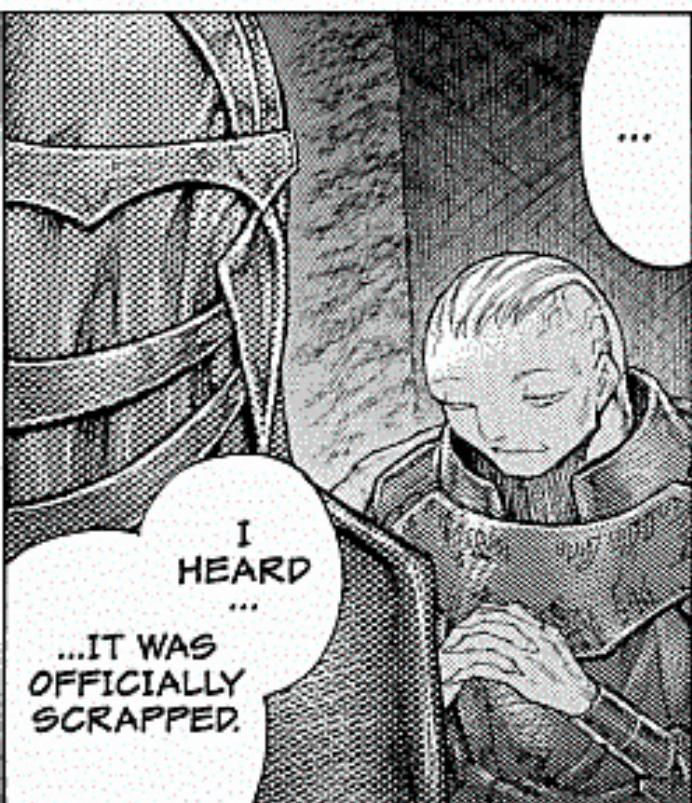
OH MY.
THANK
YOU FOR
SUCH...

ZA
ZA
ZA

THAT
ANNOYING
MAN HAS
RETURNED.

HMPH...

ZA





...IS
SUC-
CESS?

HOW
LIKELY...



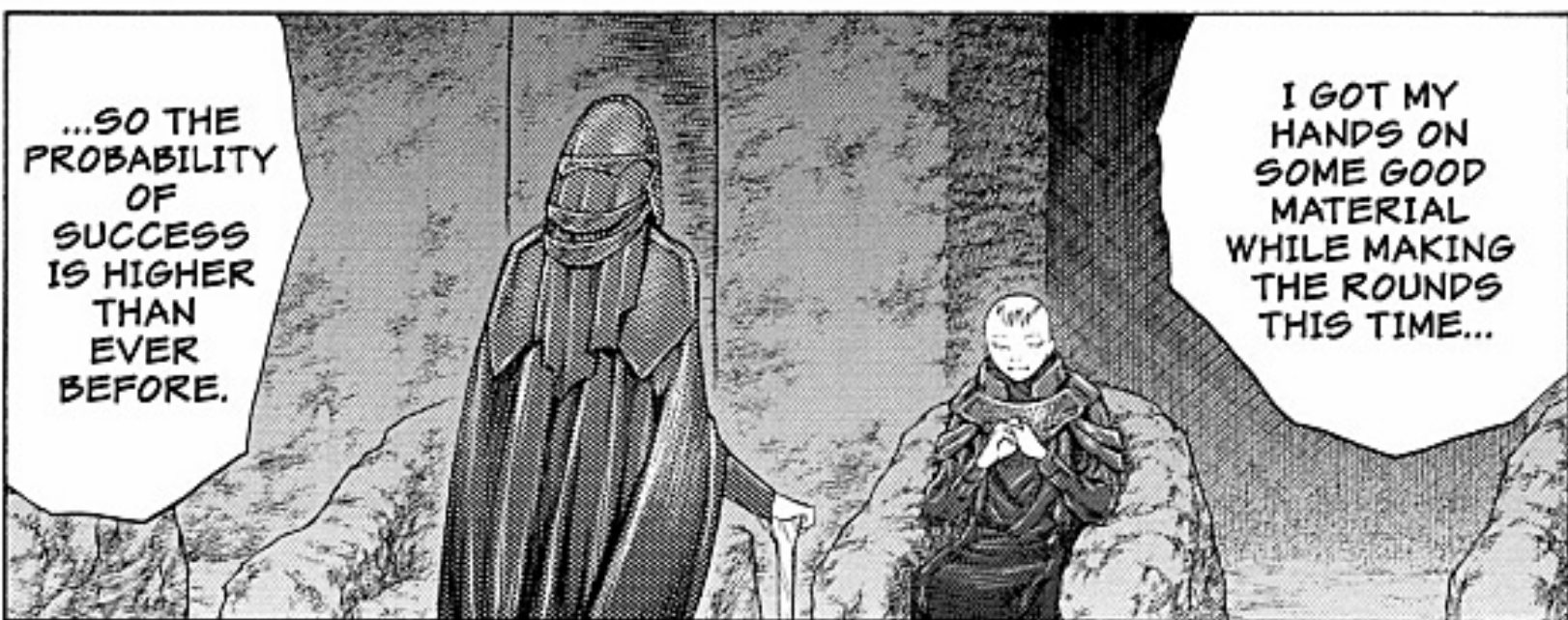
!



...I
THOUGHT
TO QUICKLY
INCREASE
OUR
MILITARY
MIGHT.

RATHER
THAN
SLOWLY
RAISING
THE
WARRIORS
WE HAVE
NOW...

TO BE
HONEST,
THE
ORGANI-
ZATION IS
THREADBARE
AT THE
MOMENT.



...SO THE
PROBABILITY
OF
SUCCESS
IS HIGHER
THAN
EVER
BEFORE.

I GOT MY
HANDS ON
SOME GOOD
MATERIAL
WHILE MAKING
THE ROUNDS
THIS TIME...



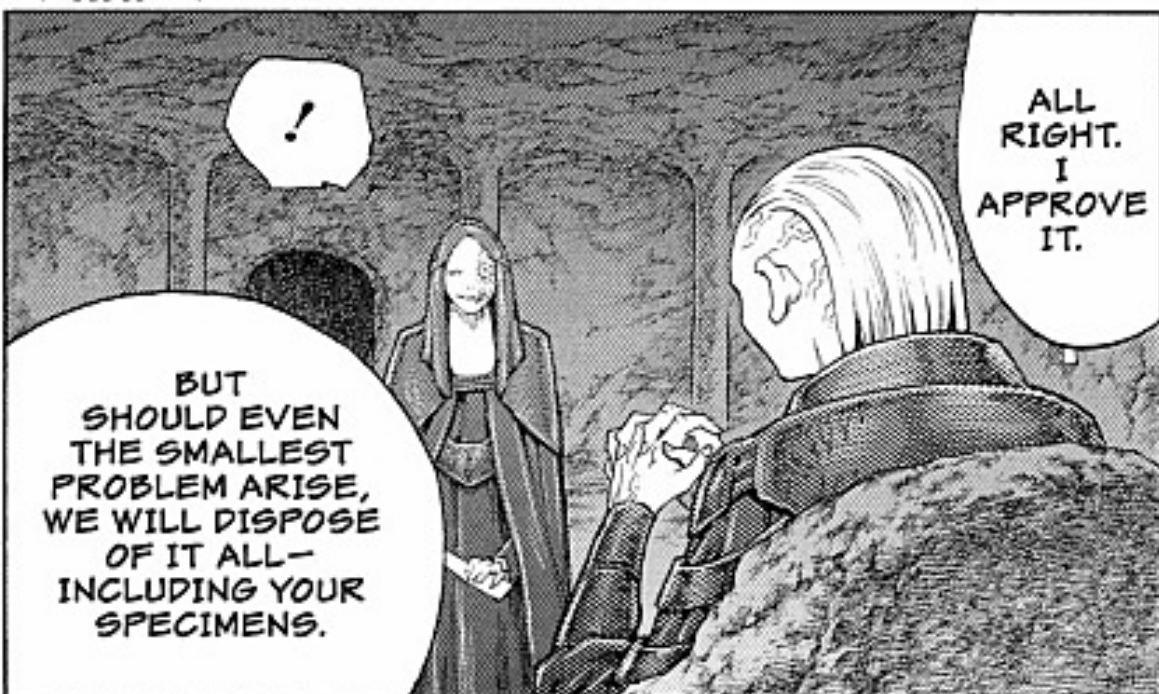
...SO AT
THIS
SCOPE,
ABOUT
THREE.

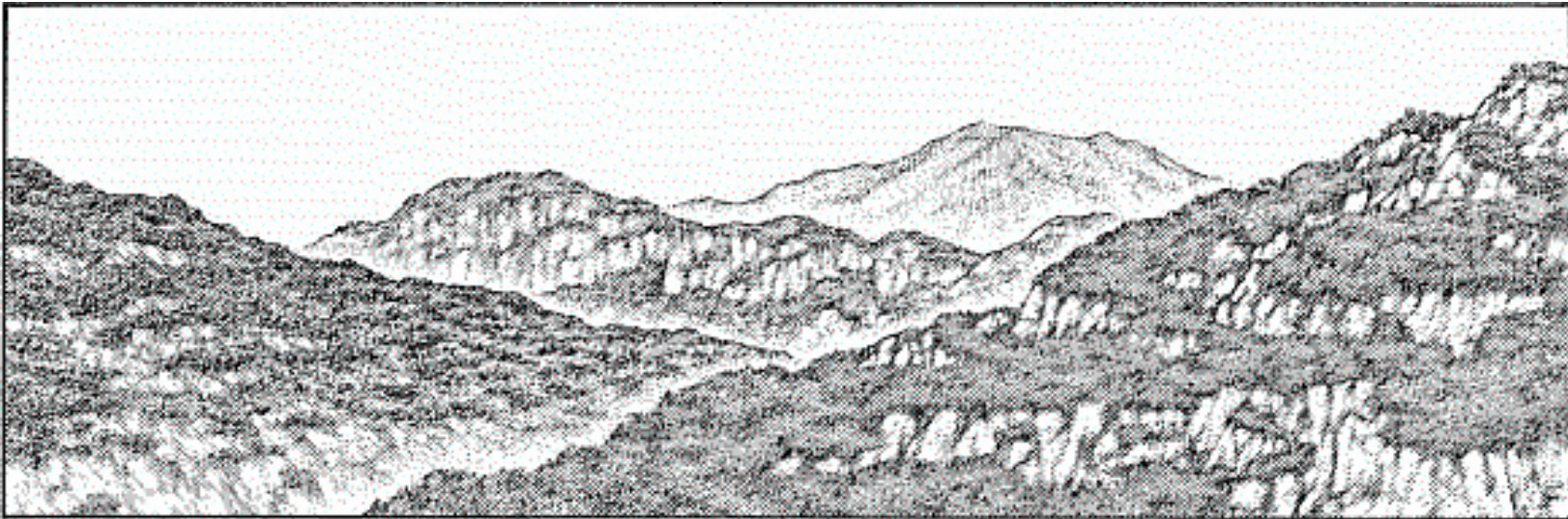
THIS
TIME,
I PLAN
TO
USE
THIS...



...CAN
YOU
MAKE?

HOW
MANY
...





THAT IS ALL THE YOMA ENERGY I CAN SENSE TOWARD THE EAST FROM HERE.

...AND SEVEN WARRIORS.

SIXTY-THREE YOMA... ELEVEN AWAKENED BEINGS...

!

THAT ISN'T NECESSARY.

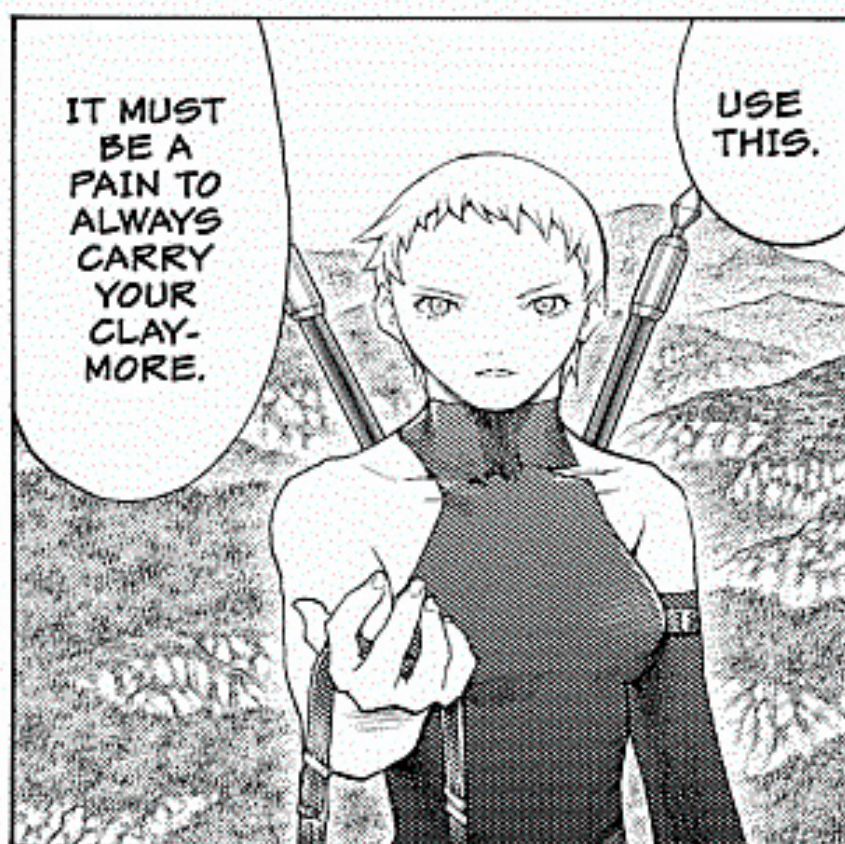
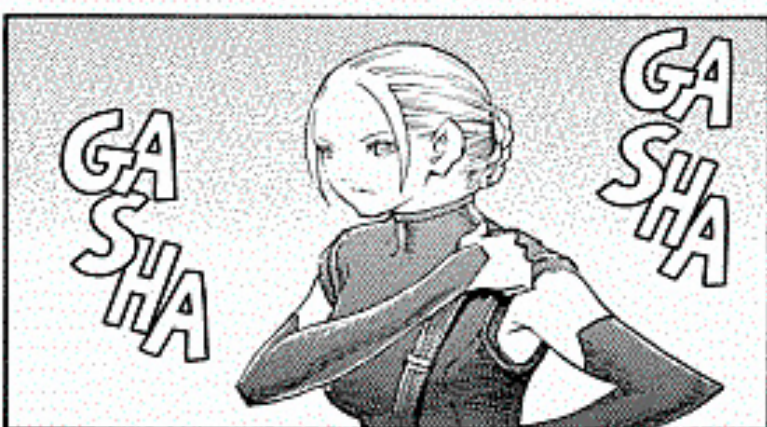
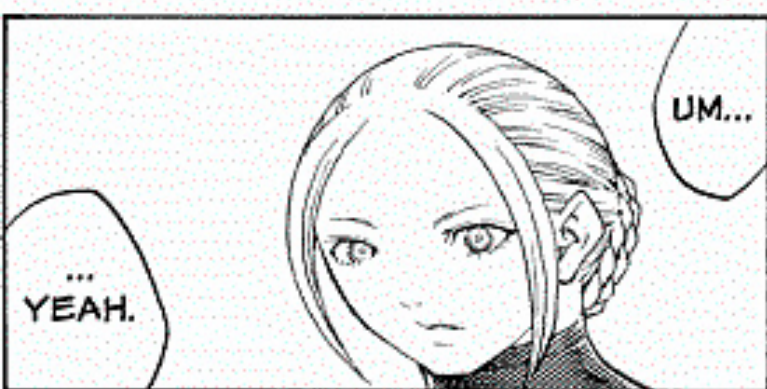
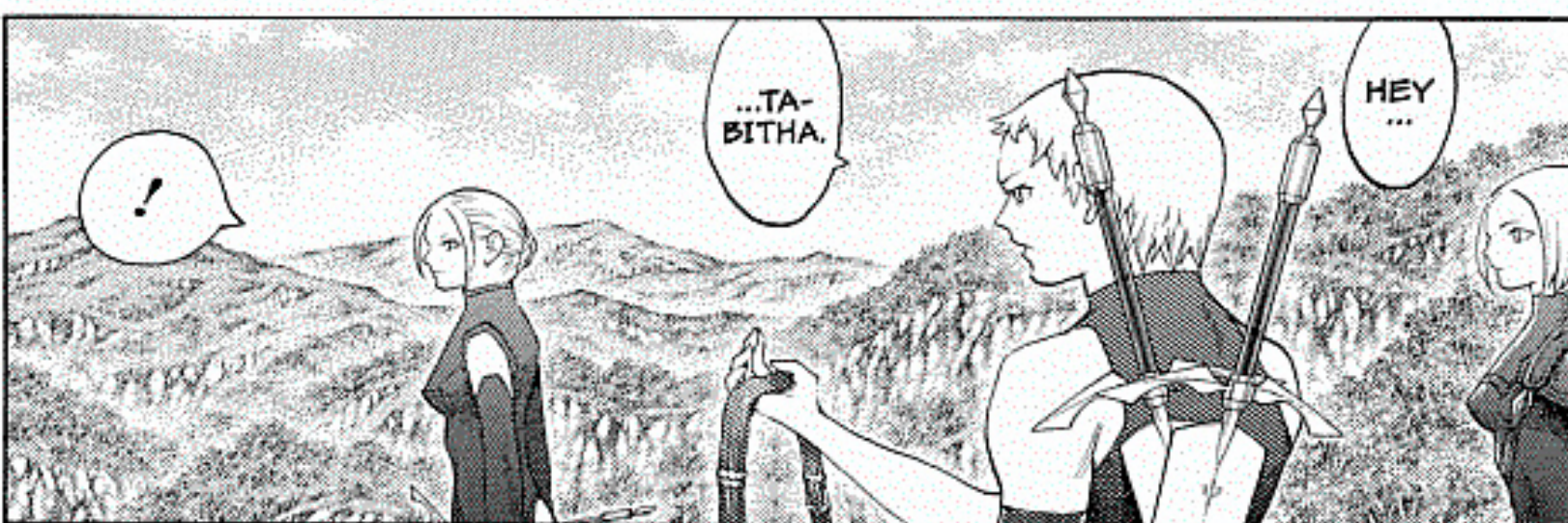
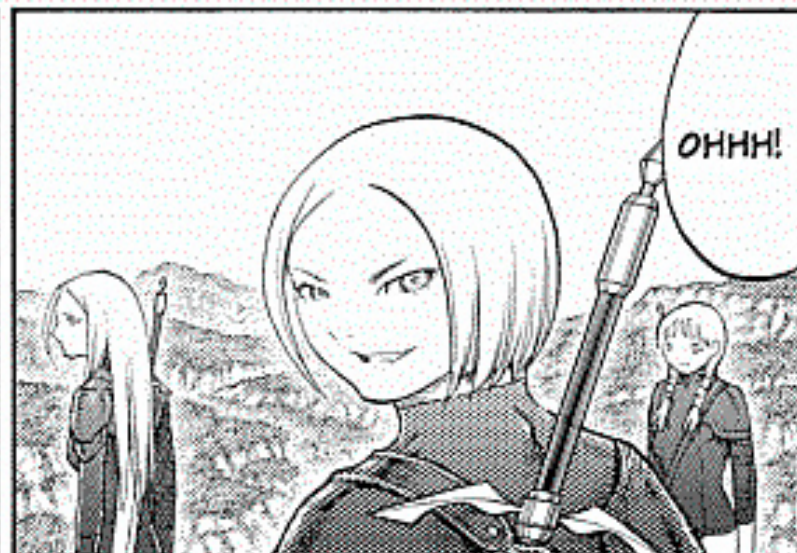
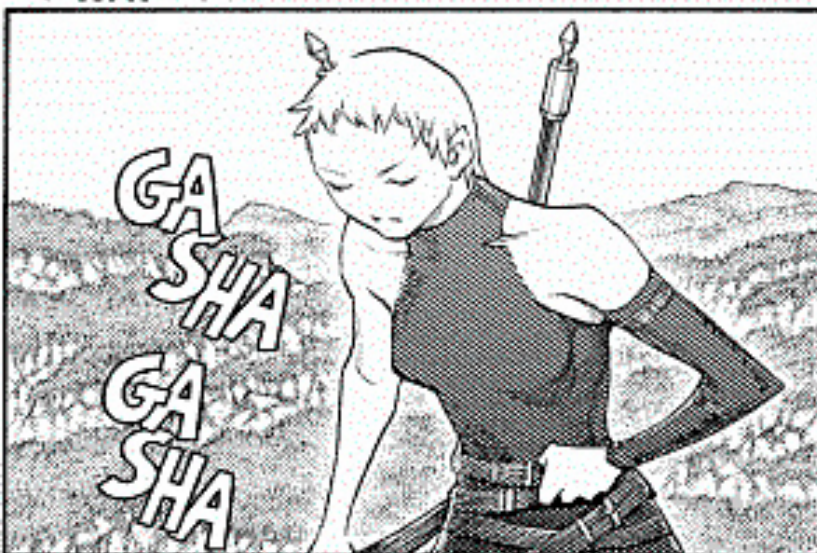
...SO WE WILL JUST TAKE ROUTES THAT OUR OPPONENTS WON'T NOTICE.

I CAN SENSE OPPONENTS' YOMA ENERGY FASTER THAN THEY CAN...

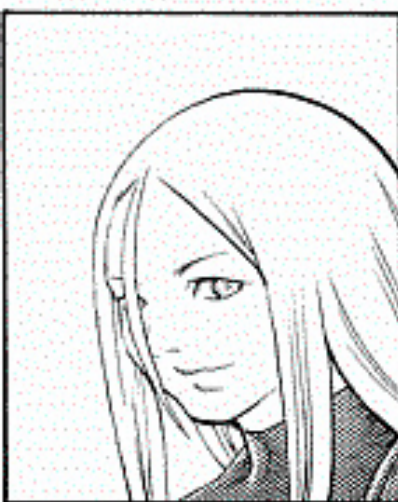
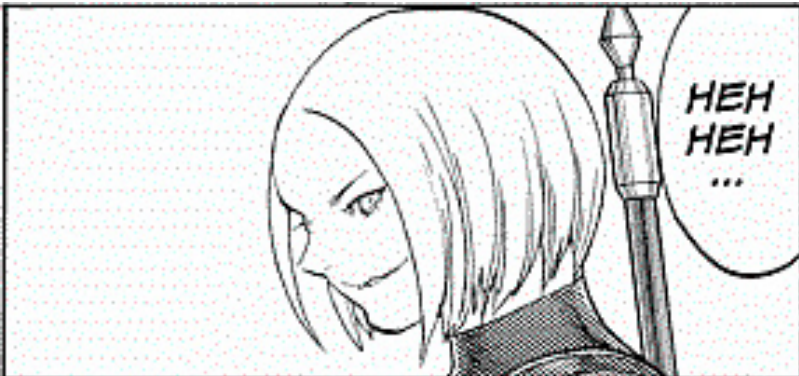
EVERYONE BUT TABITHA HAS FINISHED RELEASING YOMA POWER.

JUST IN CASE, SHOULD WE TAKE THE DRUG TO SUPPRESS OUR YOMA ENERGY?

WHOA! THAT'S QUITE A LOT.

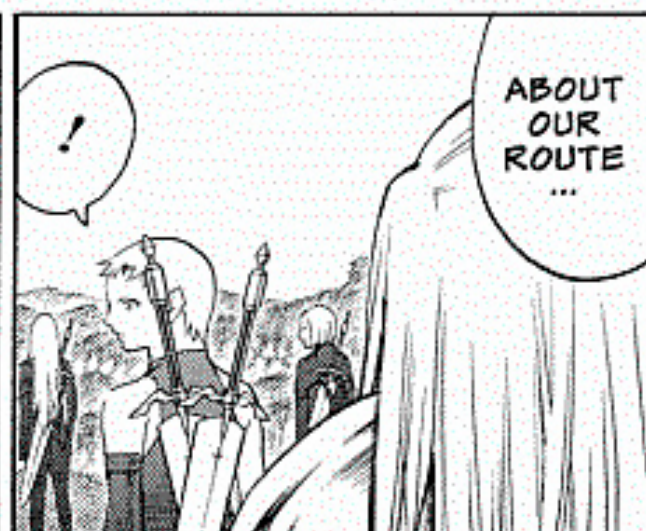


USE THIS.

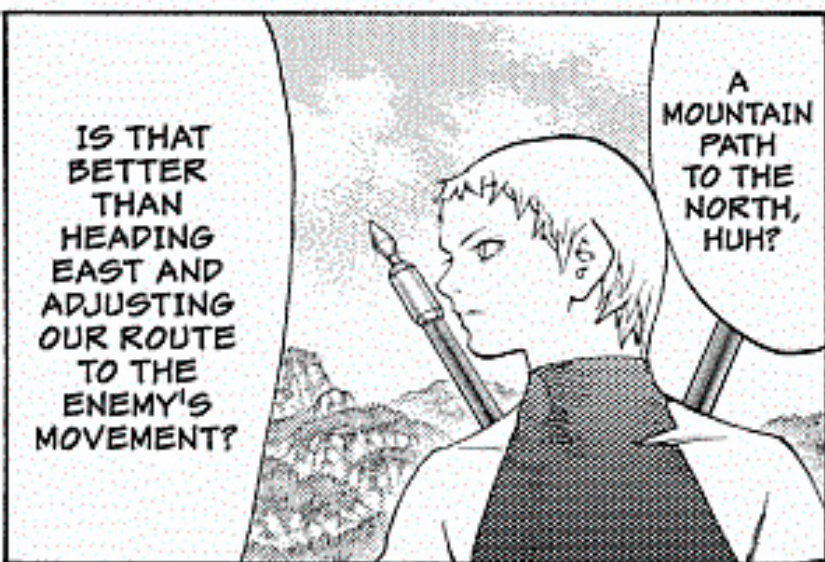


...ON A MOUNTAIN TO THE NORTH OF HERE, WHERE I WAS IN CHARGE.

BEFORE THE ORGANIZATION ASSIGNED ME TO THE SOUTH, THERE WAS A LITTLE-KNOWN PATH LEADING TO THE ORGANIZATION...

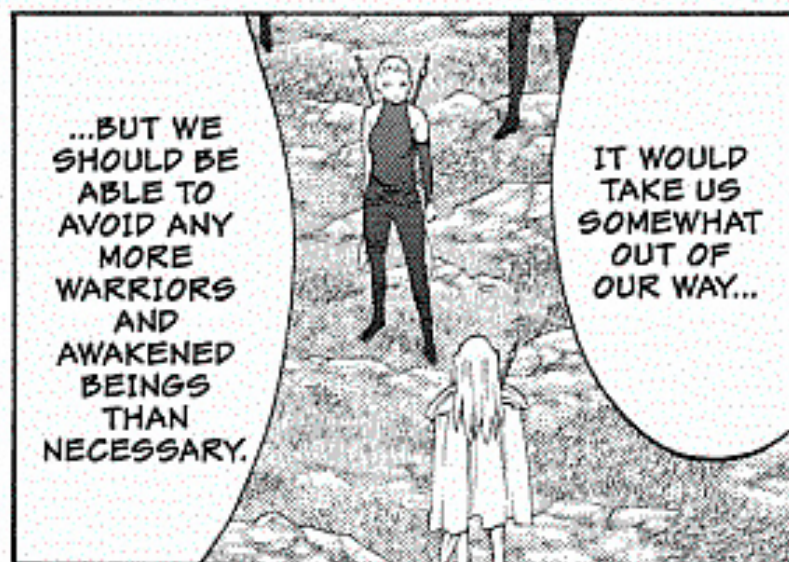


ABOUT OUR ROUTE ...



IS THAT BETTER THAN HEADING EAST AND ADJUSTING OUR ROUTE TO THE ENEMY'S MOVEMENT?

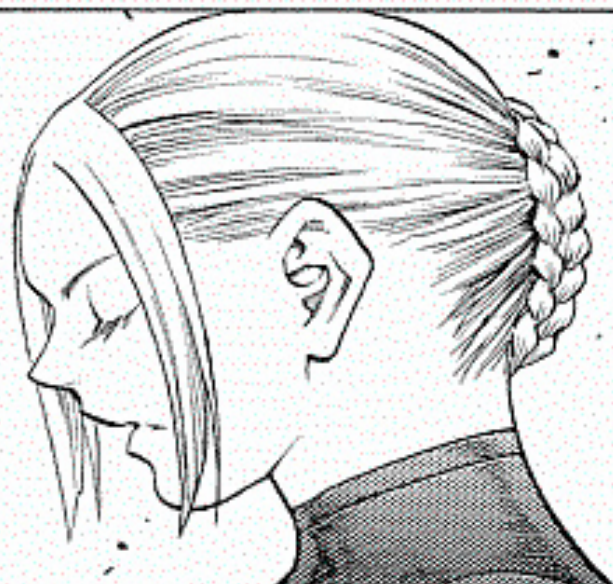
A MOUNTAIN PATH TO THE NORTH, HUH?



...BUT WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO AVOID ANY MORE WARRIORS AND AWAKENED BEINGS THAN NECESSARY.

IT WOULD TAKE US SOMEWHAT OUT OF OUR WAY...

...I
SENSE
THE YOMA
ENERGY
OF FOUR
WARRIORS.



ON THE
MOUNTAIN
PATH
TO THE
NORTH...



ONE
AMONG
THEM IS
FAIRLY
BIG.

PROBABLY
A SINGLE-
DIGIT
NUMBER.



THEY
APPEAR TO
BE HEADING
TOWARD THE
ORGANI-
ZATION.

ENCOUNTER-
ING A
SINGLE DIGIT
IN THESE CIR-
CUMSTANCES
WOULD BE...

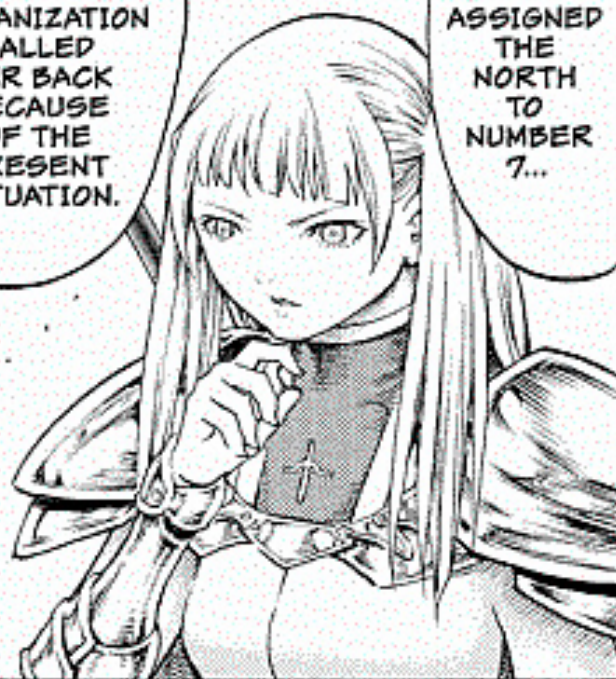
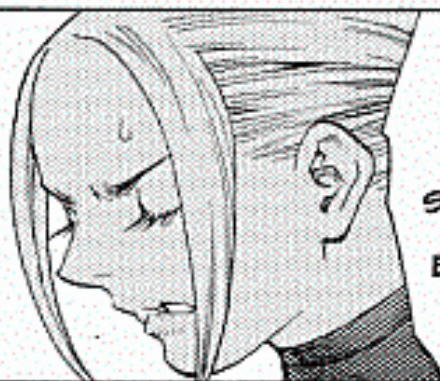
THEN WE
SHOULD
AVOID THE
NORTHERN
ROUTE.

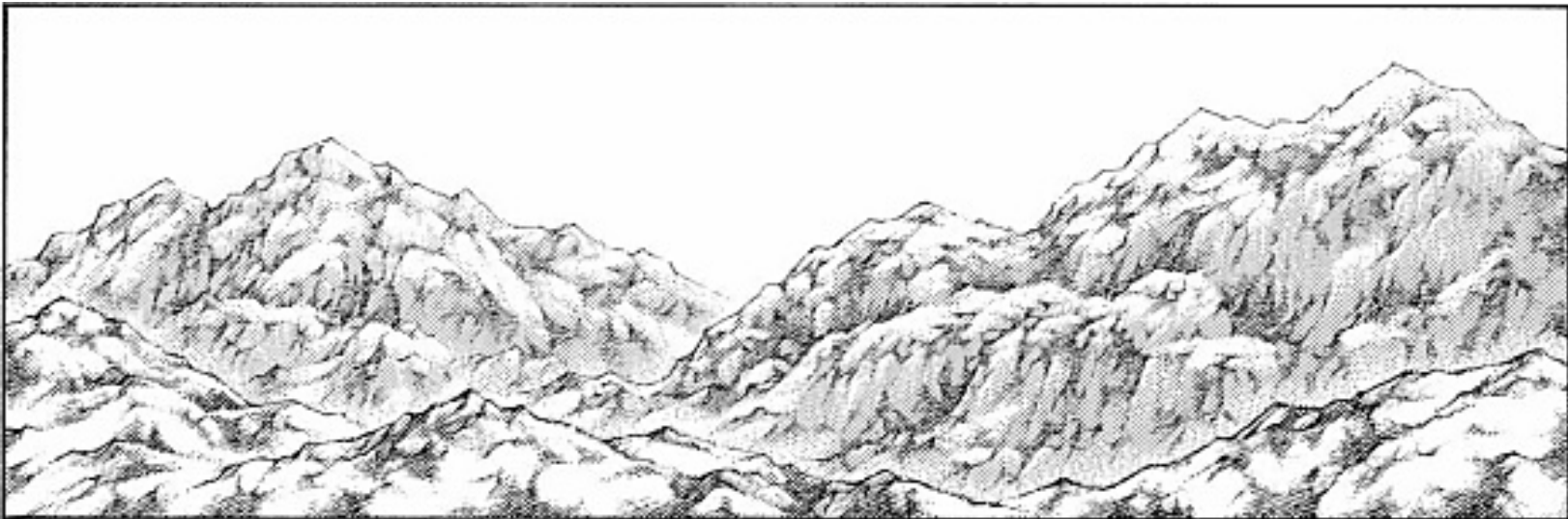
...BUT
PERHAPS
THE
ORGANIZATION
CALLED
HER BACK
BECAUSE
OF THE
PRESENT
SITUATION.

THEY
ASSIGNED
THE
NORTH
TO
NUMBER
7...

...IS
APPROACH-
ING
THEM...

SOME-
THING
WITH
STRANGE
YOMA
ENERGY
...





THEY
SURE DO
KEEP US
BUSY...

...SUD-
DENLY
ORDERING
US NORTH
...

...THEN
ORDER-
ING US
BACK.



ZA

ZA



I WAS
STARTING
TO LIKE...

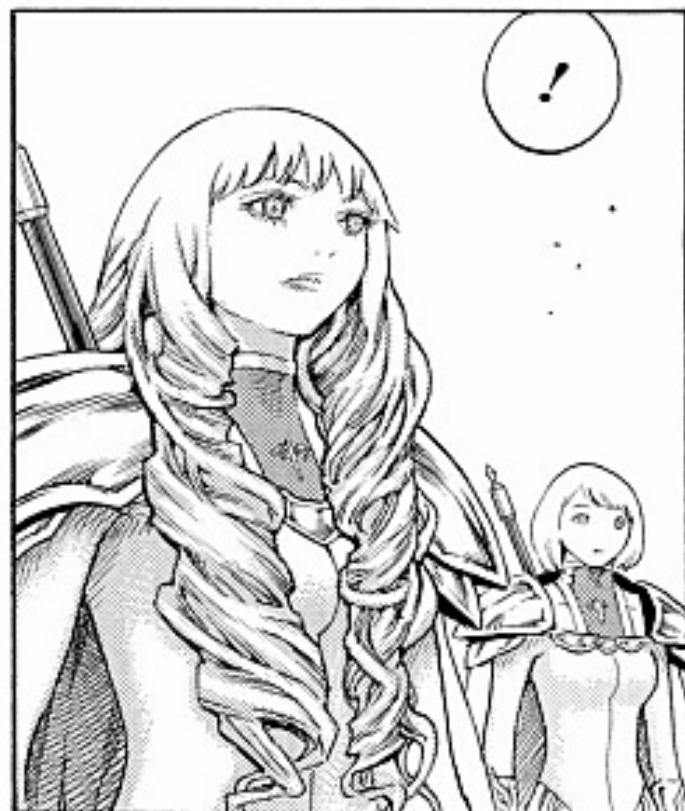
OH?

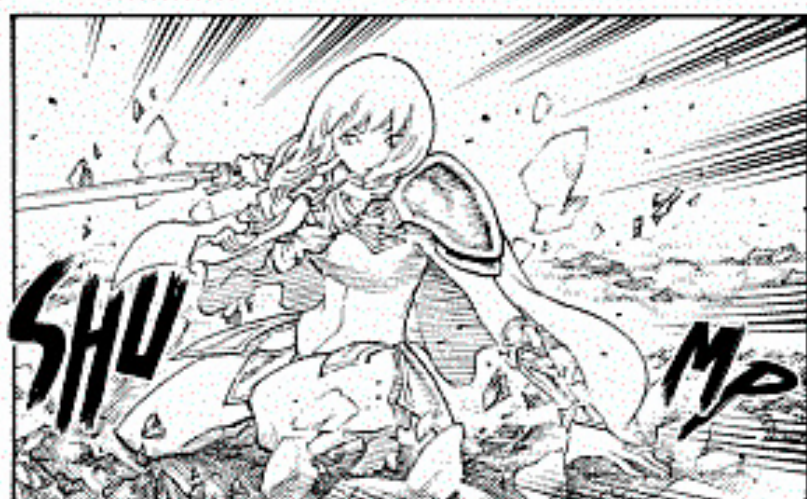
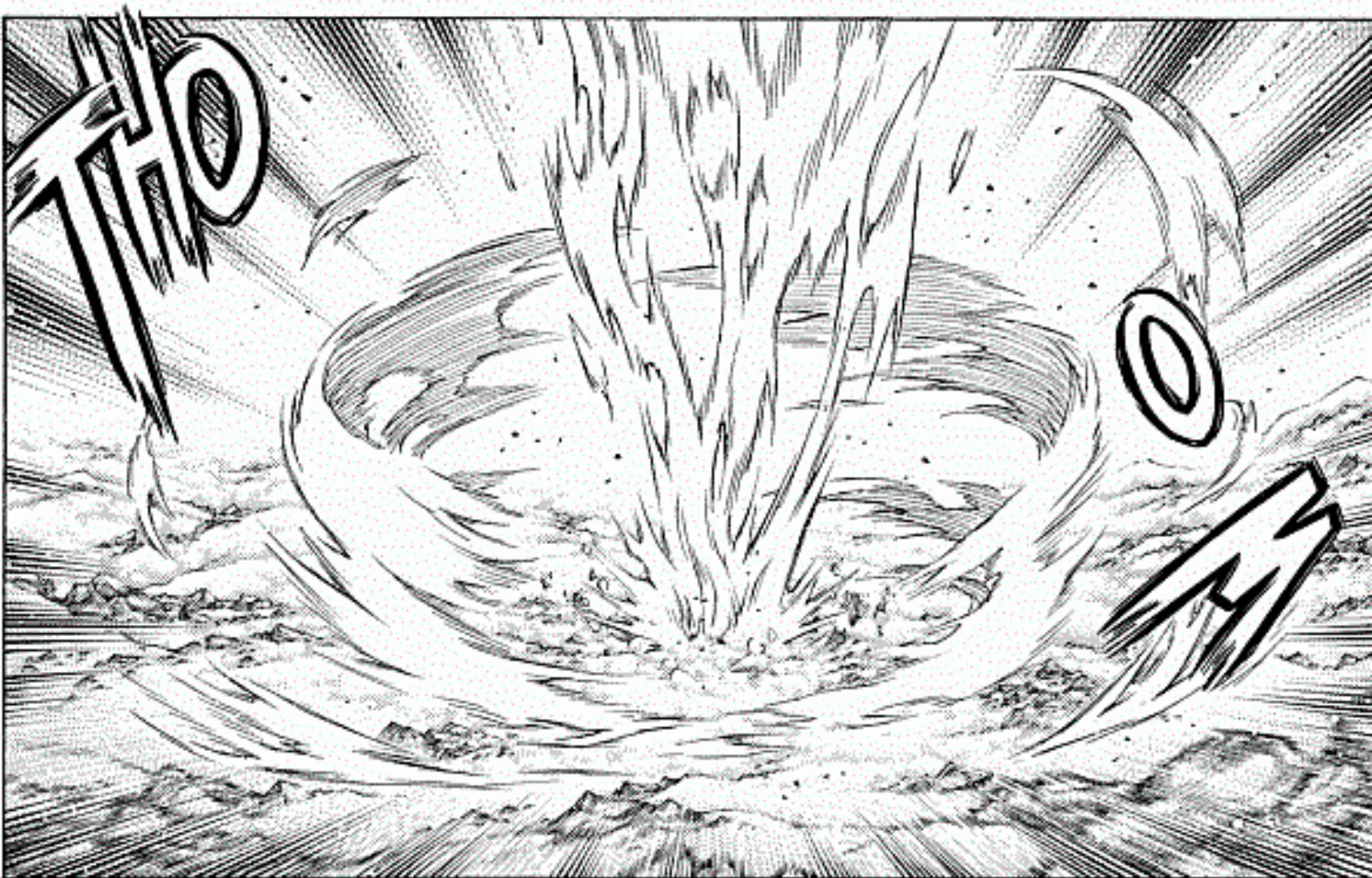
...THAT
EMPTY,
SILVER
WORLD.

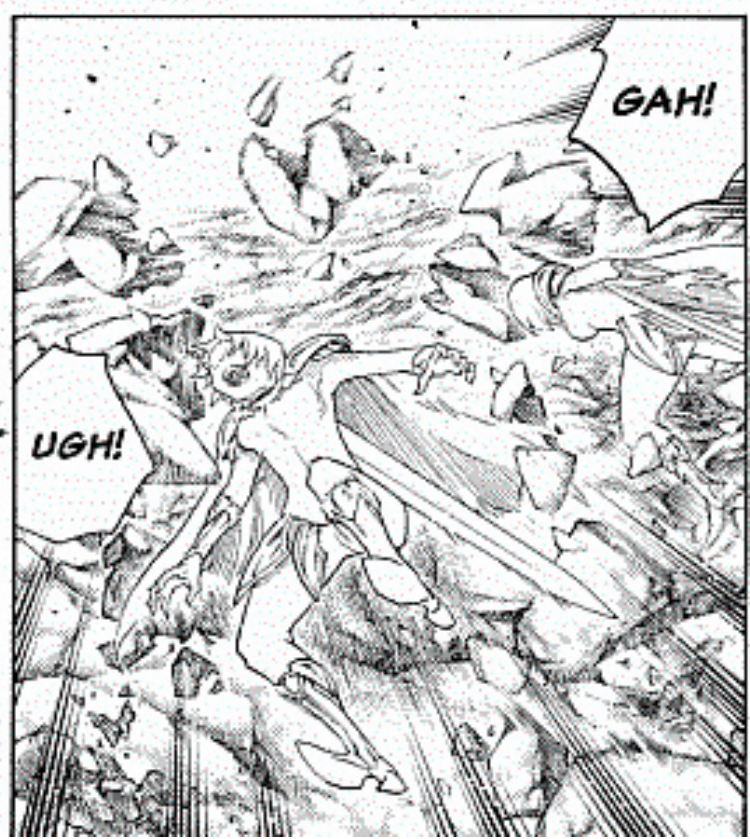


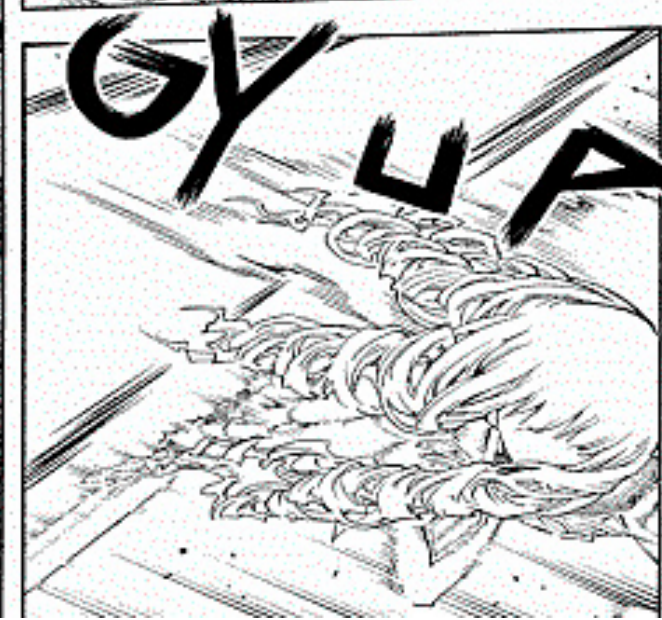
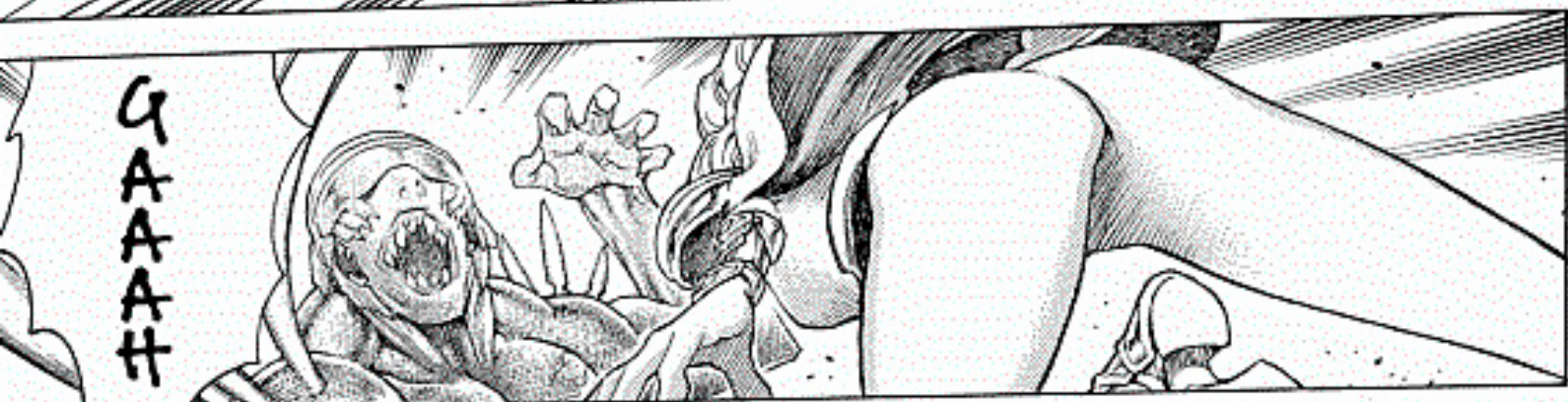
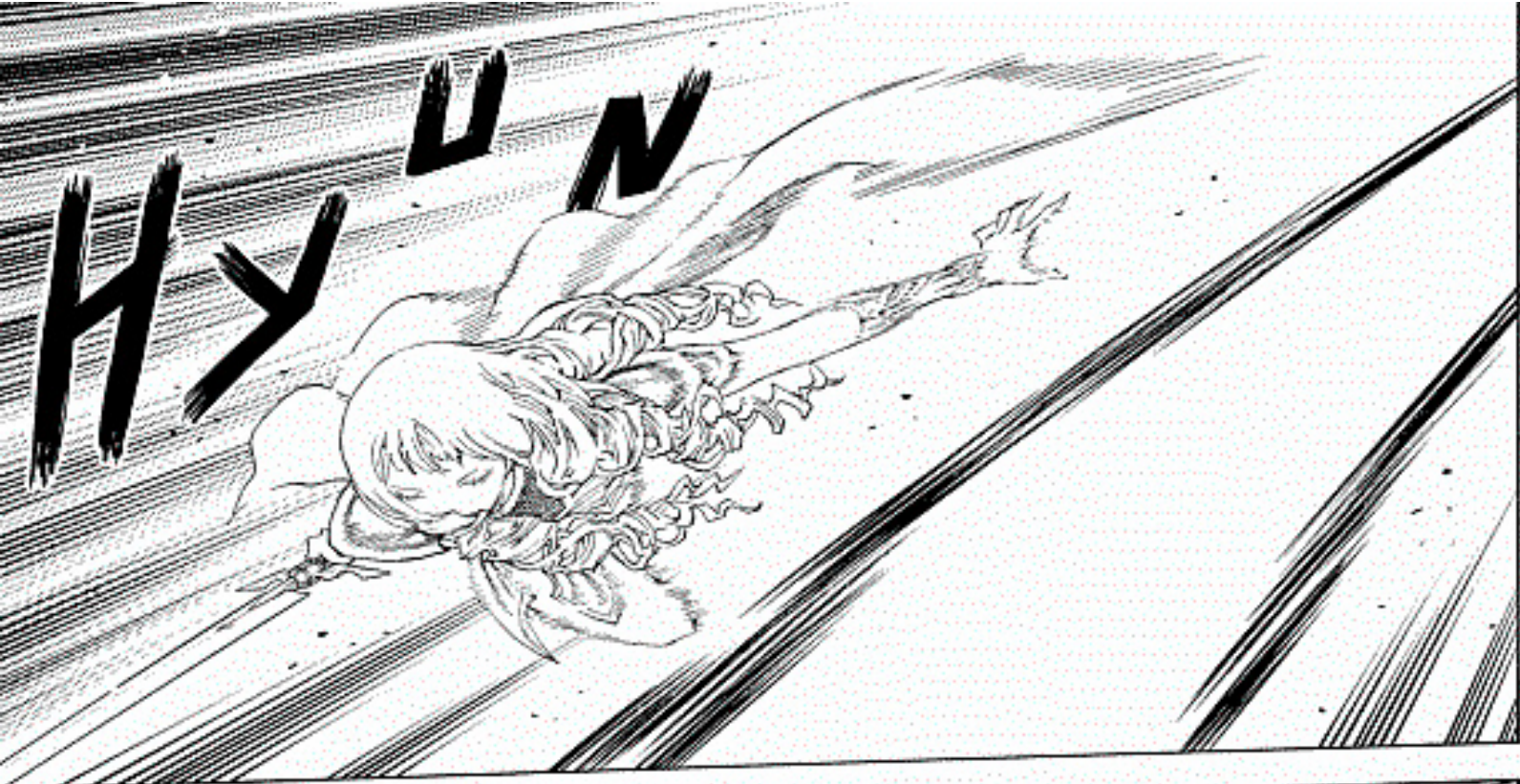
IT WAS
DEPRESS-
ING
STAYING
SO LONG
IN THAT
DESOLATE
PLACE.

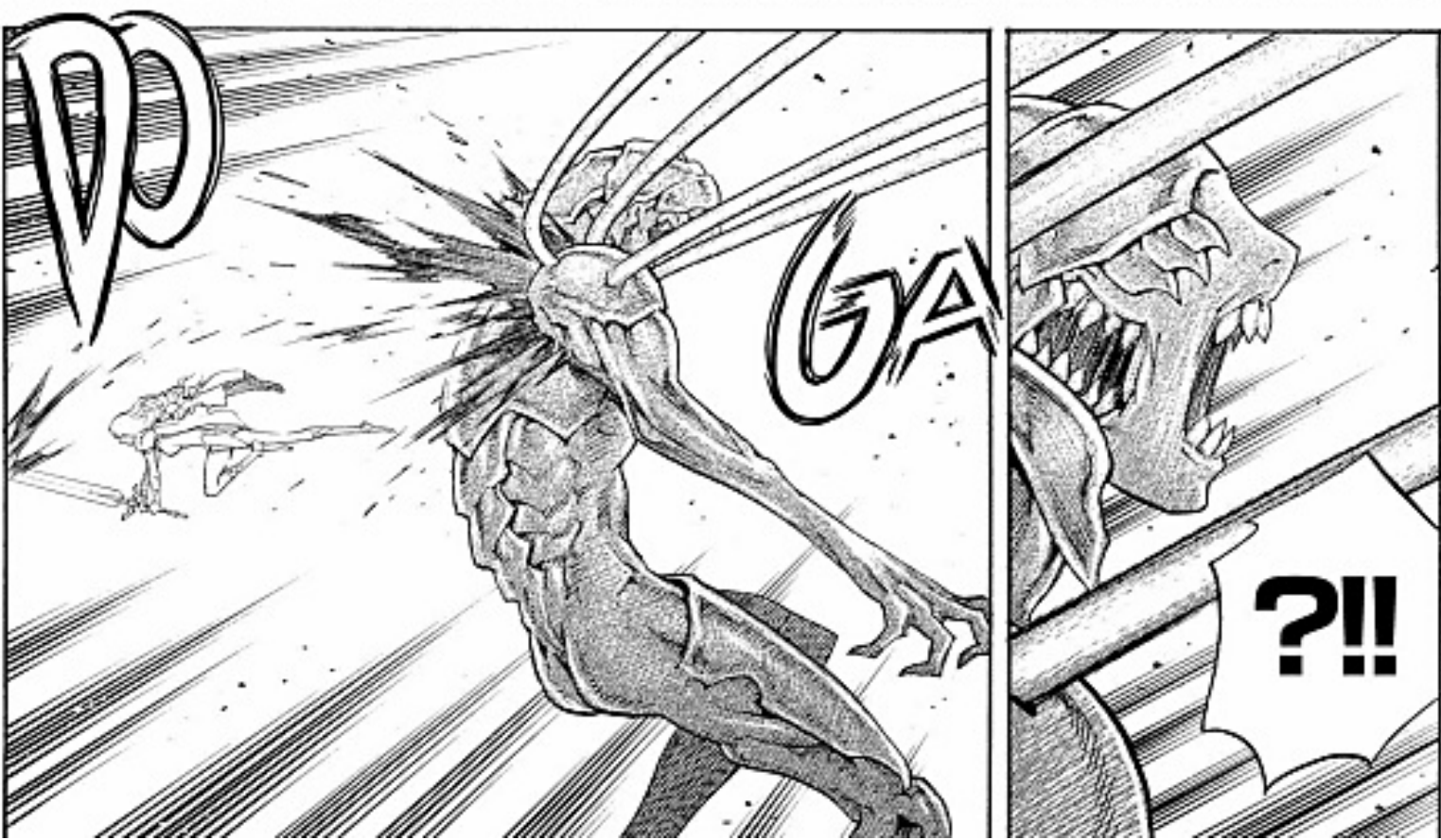
I'M
GLAD.

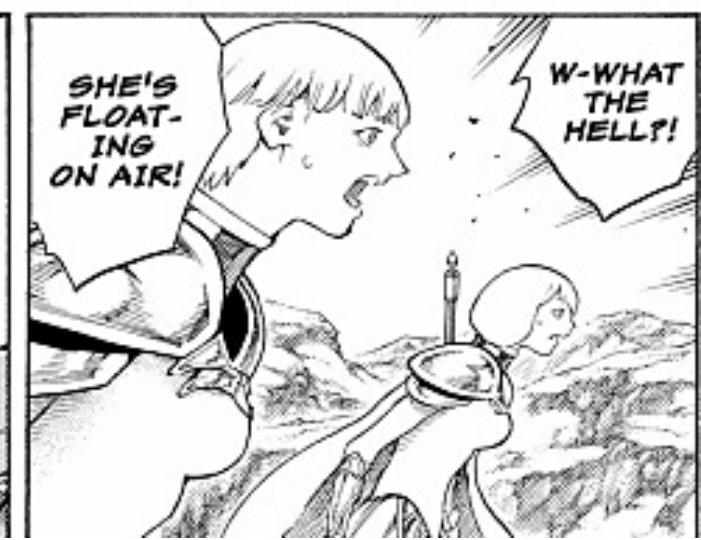
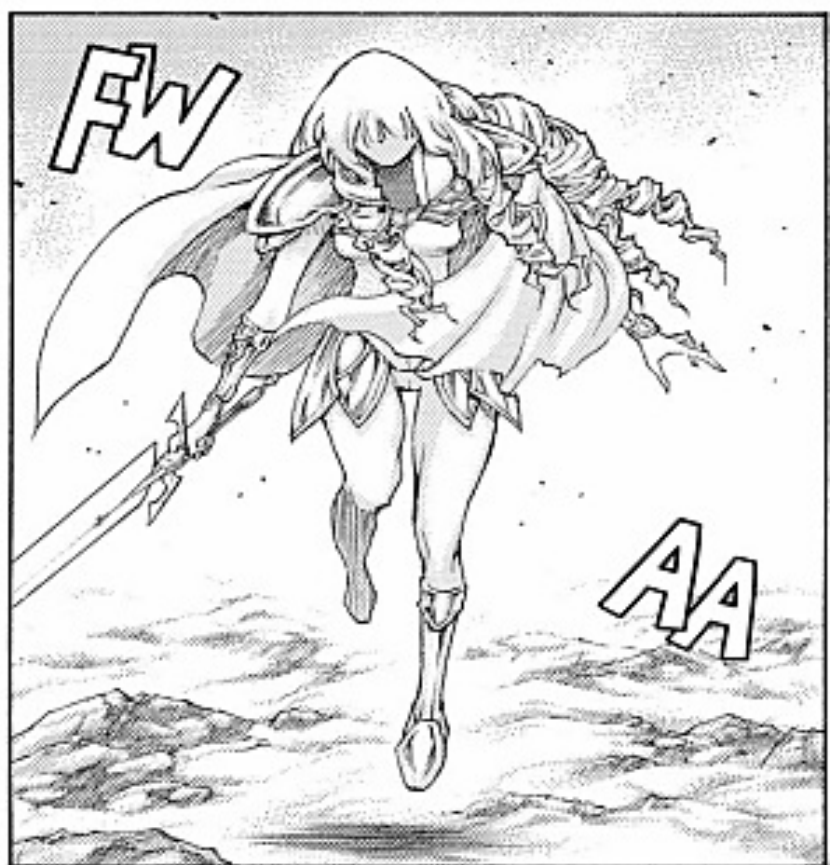














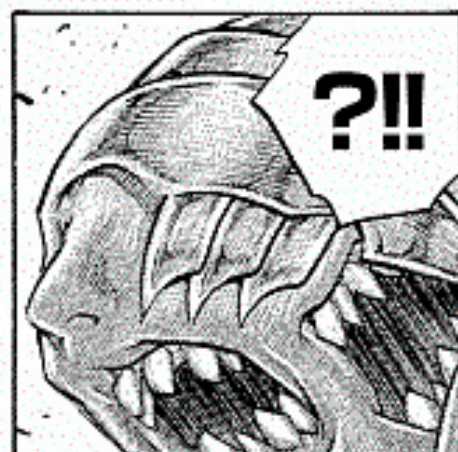
SHE
IS THE
ORGANI-
ZATION'S
NUMBER
7...

...ALSO
KNOWN
AS
WINGED
ANASTASIA.

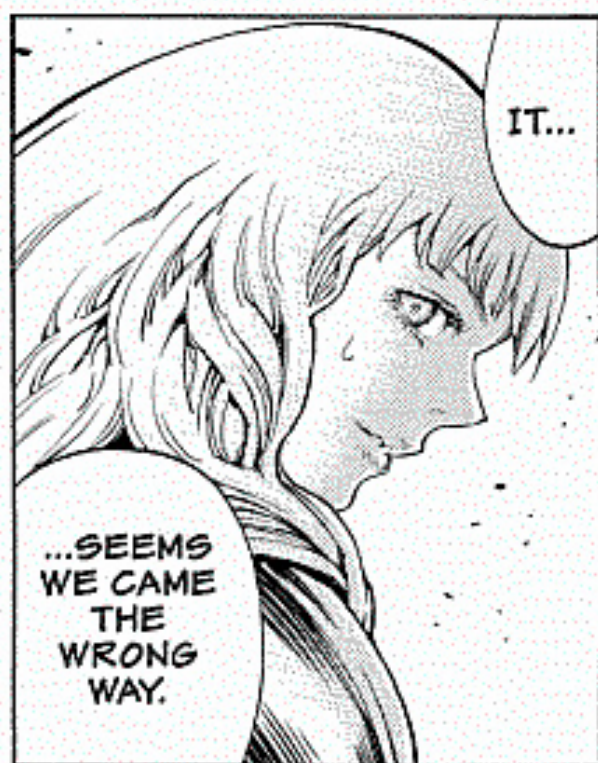
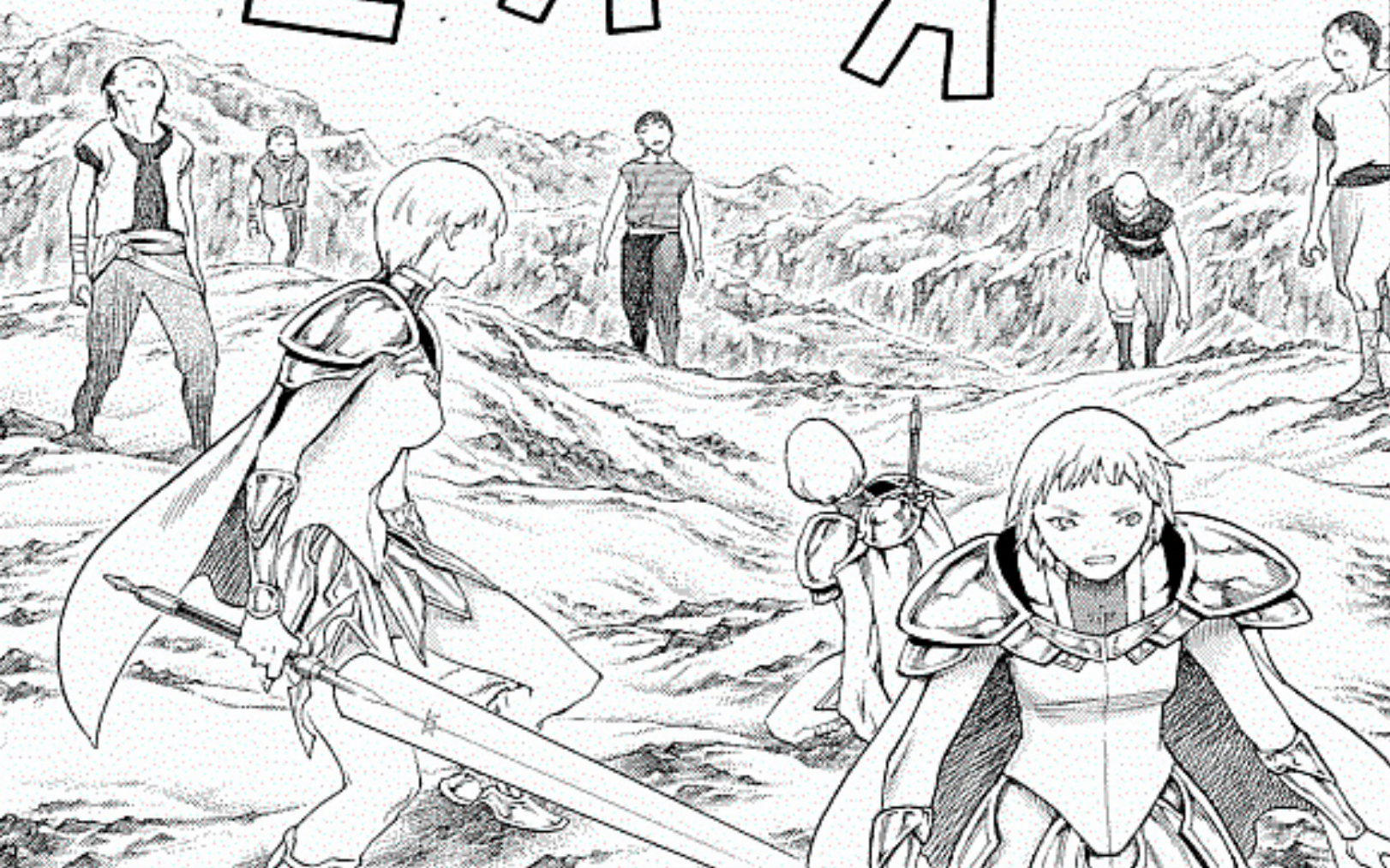


I WILL
NOT
FORGIVE
YOU...

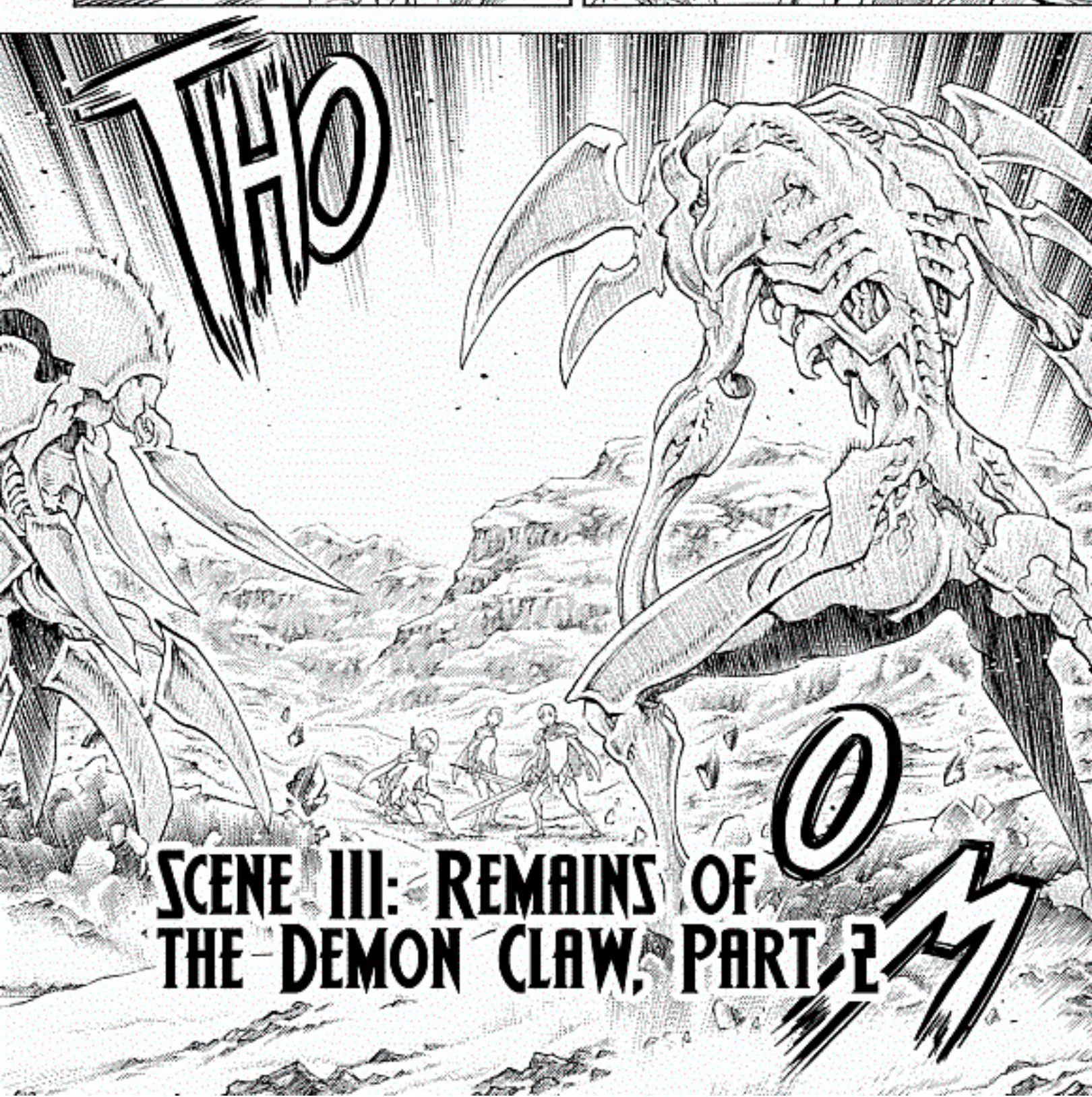
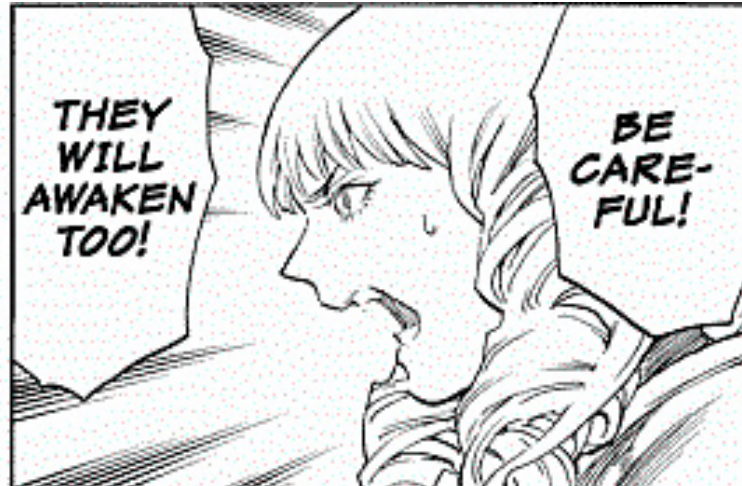
...FOR
HURTING
MY
FRIENDS.



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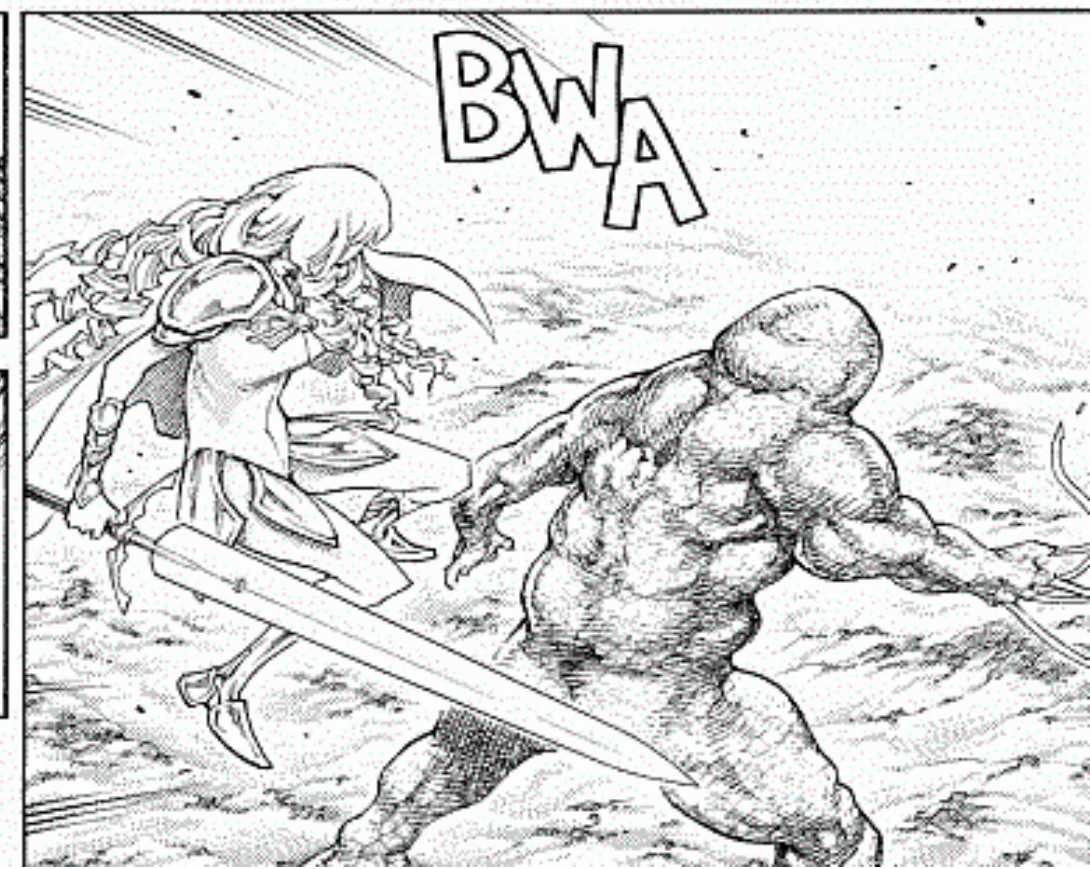
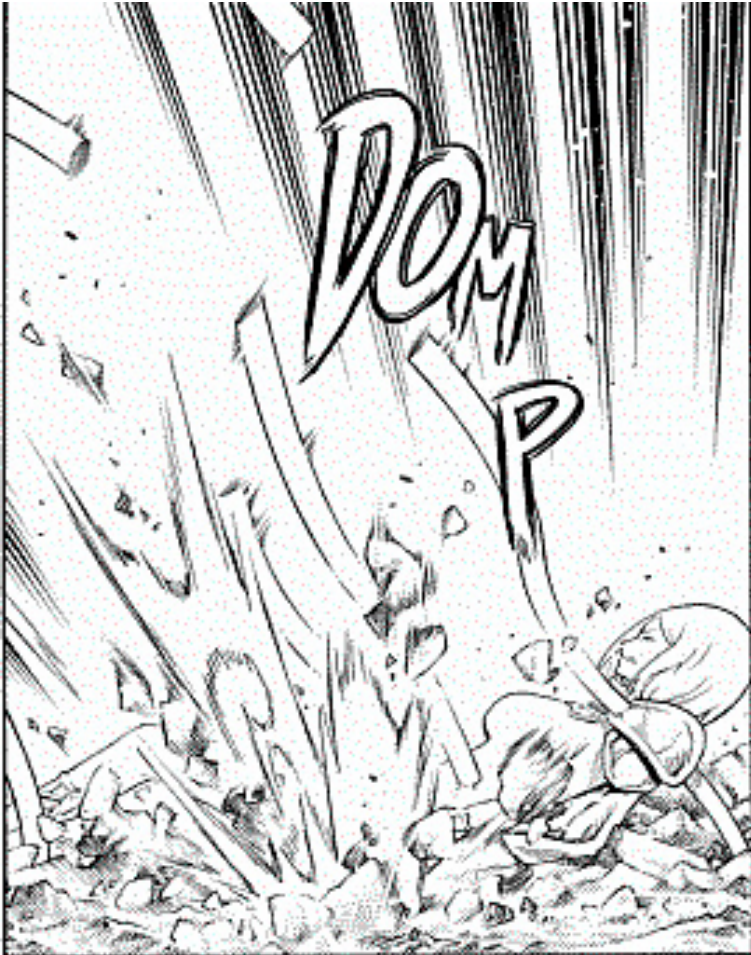


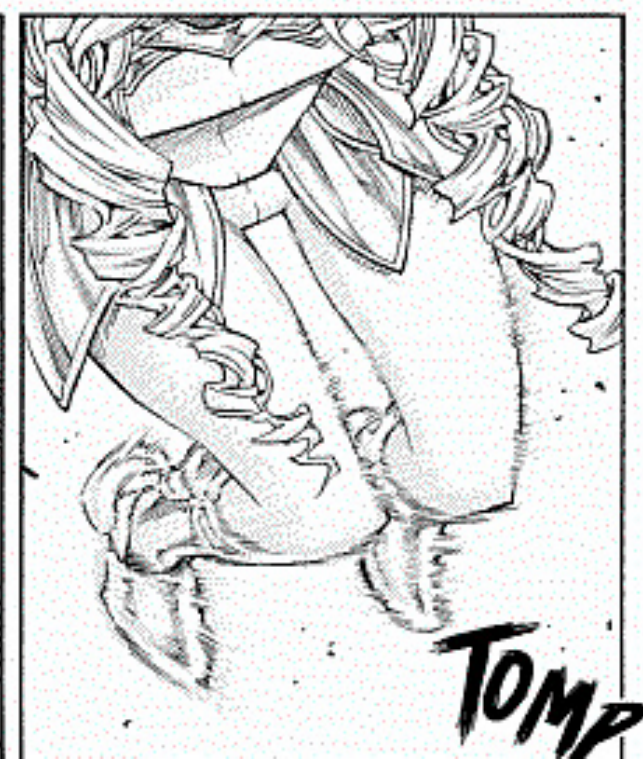
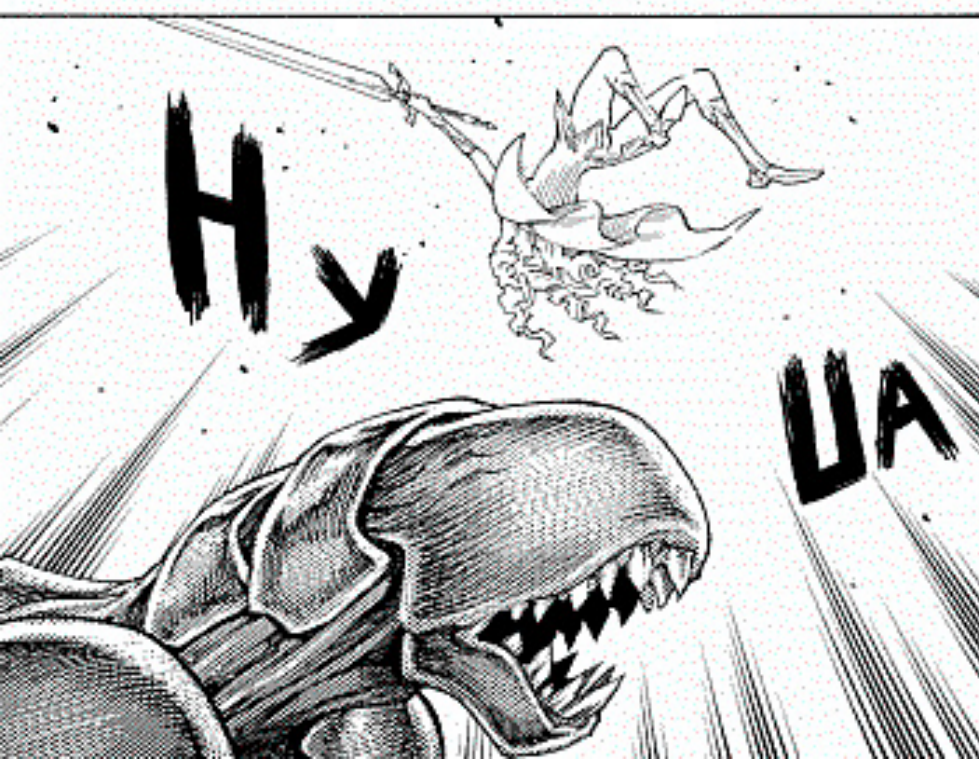
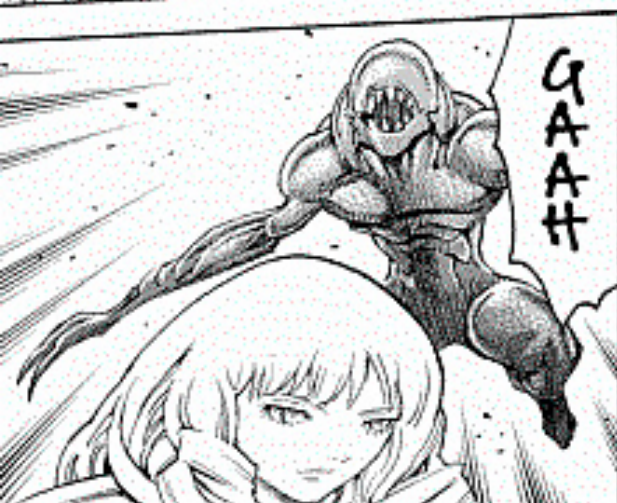
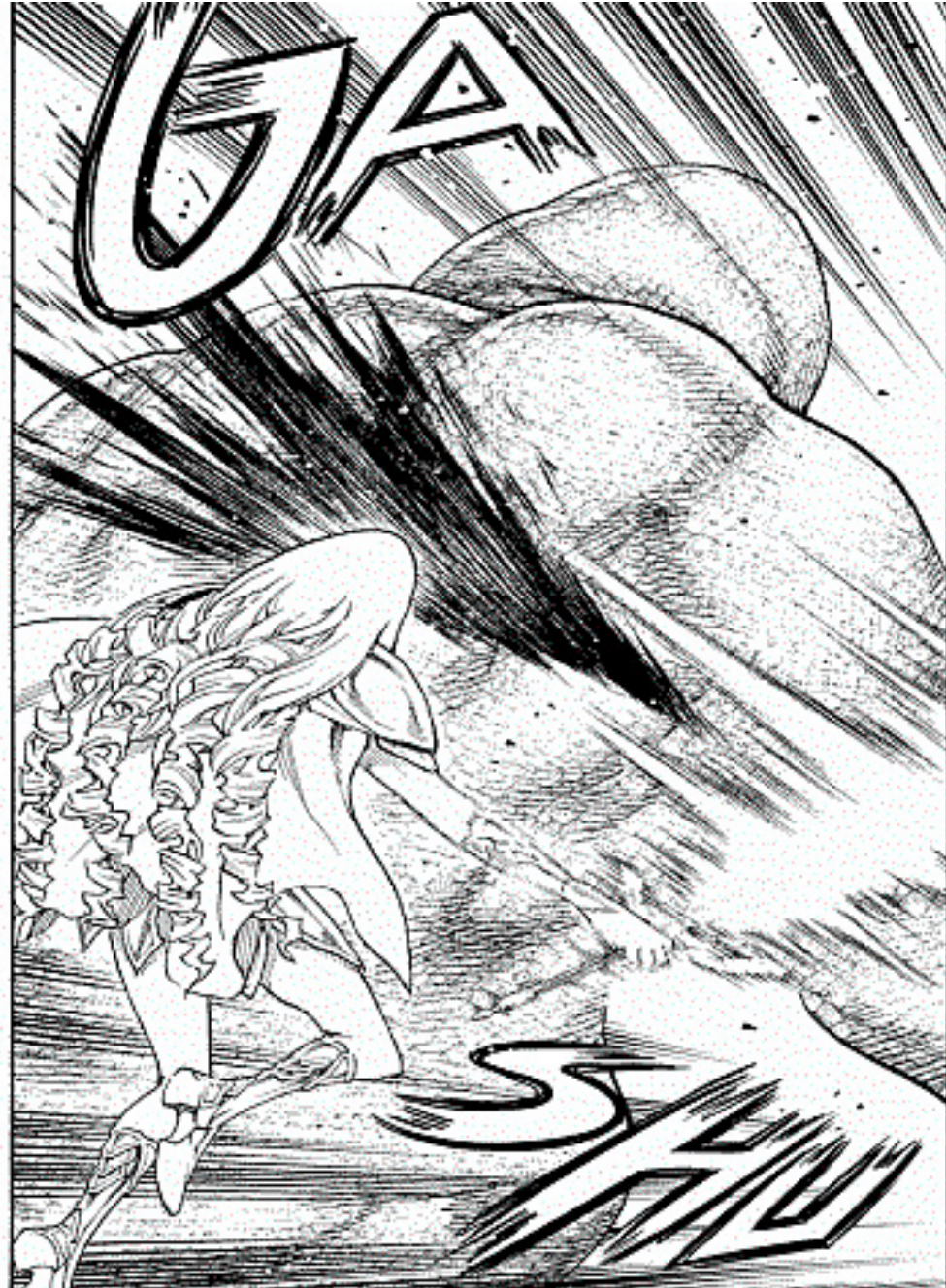
クレイモア
Claymore

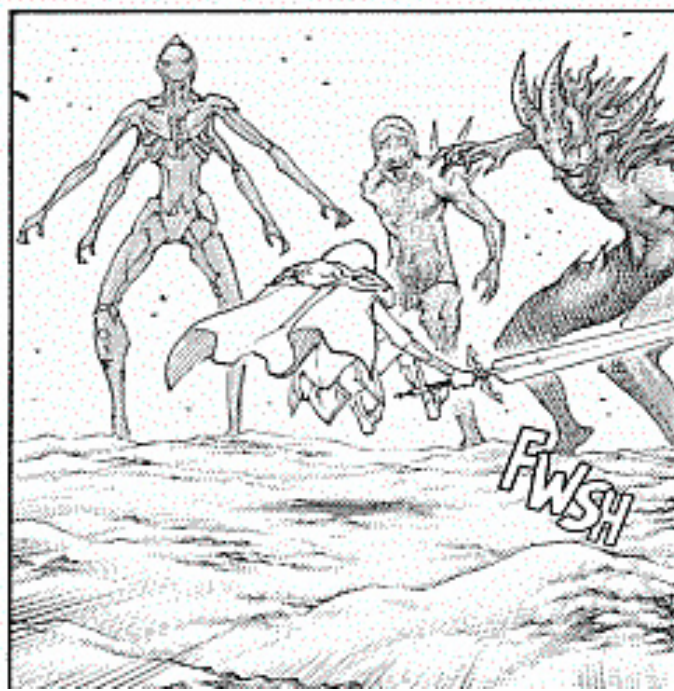
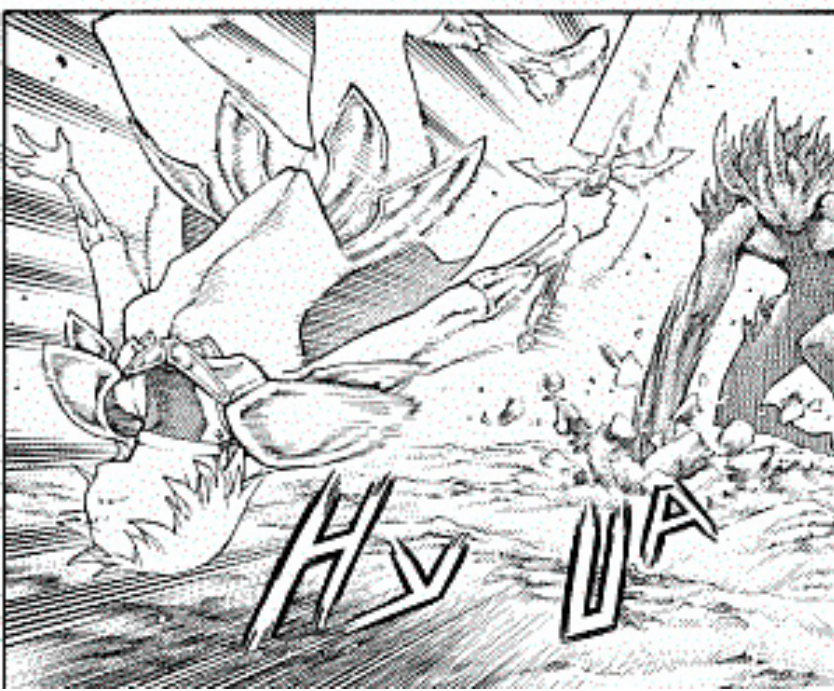
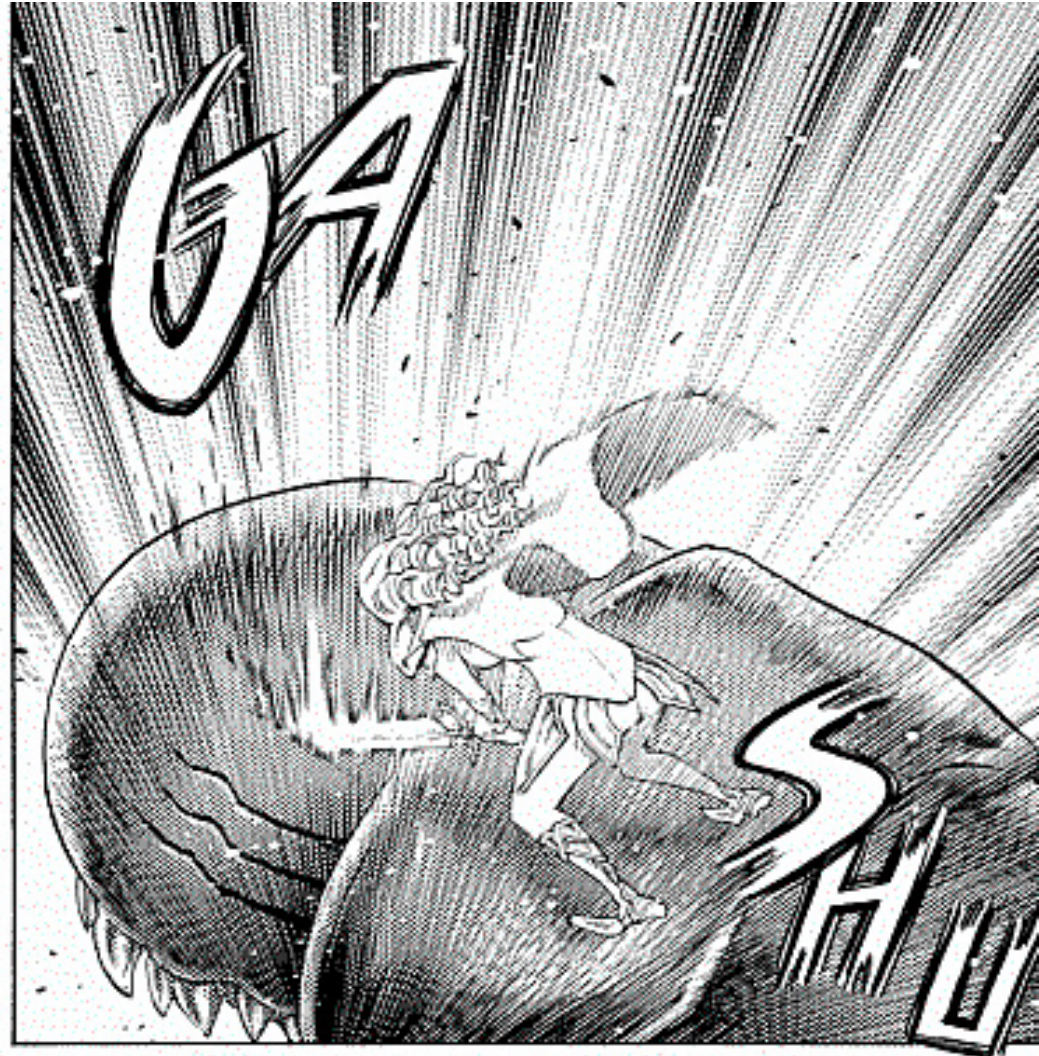
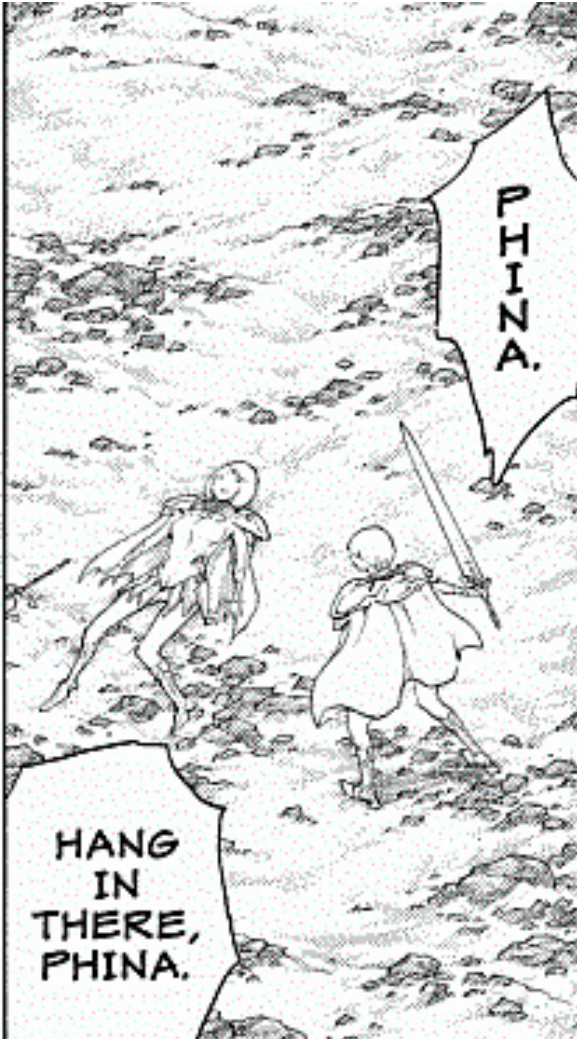


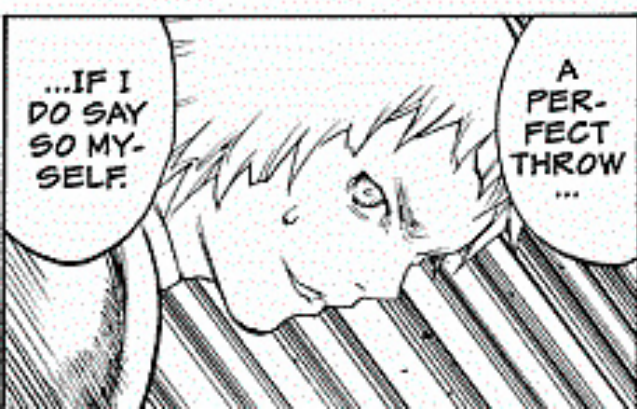
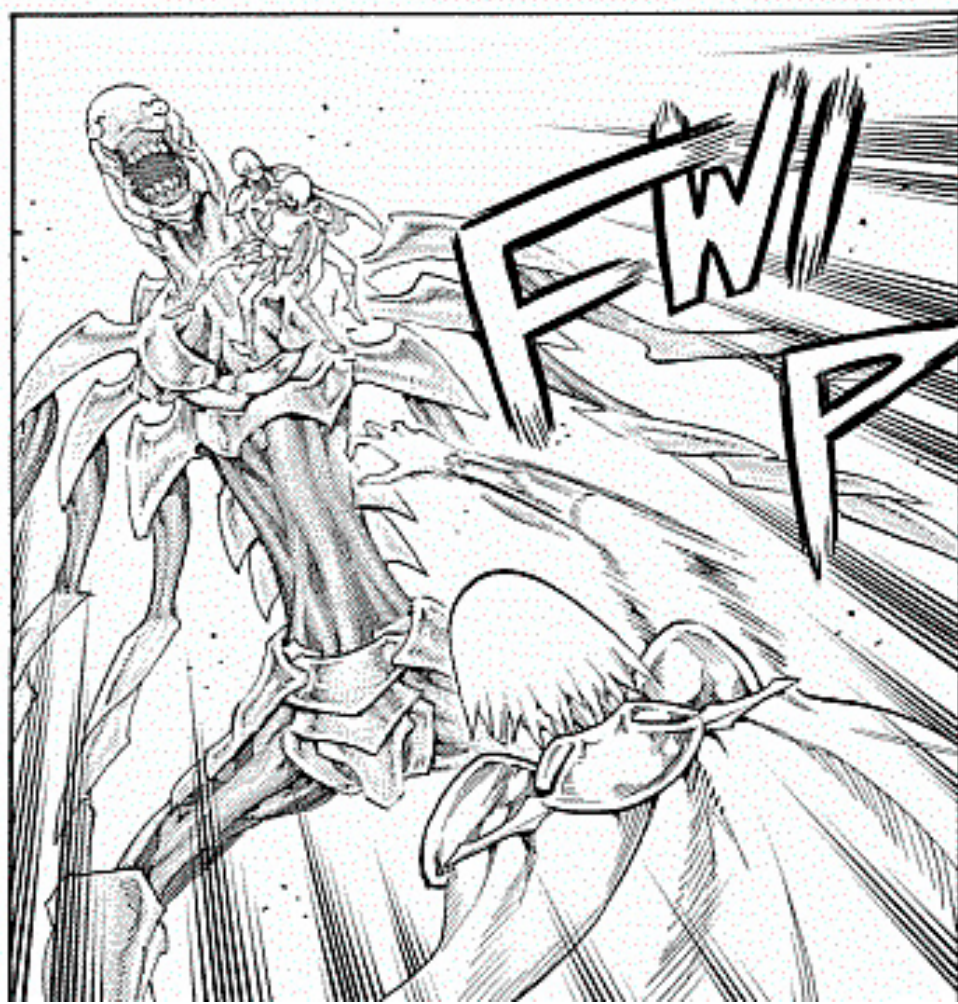
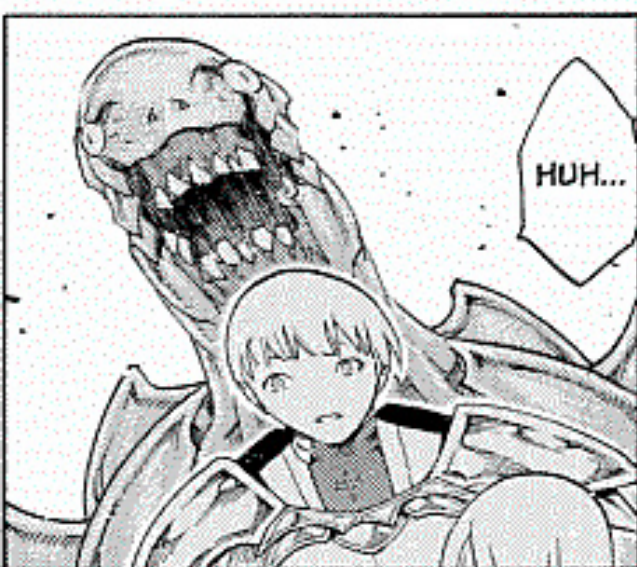
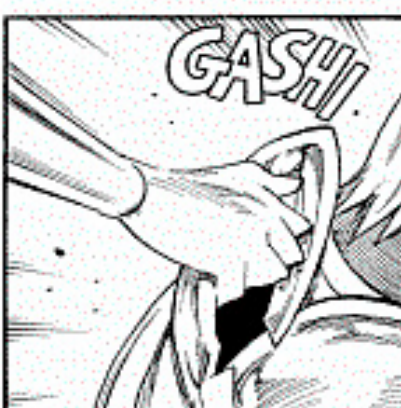
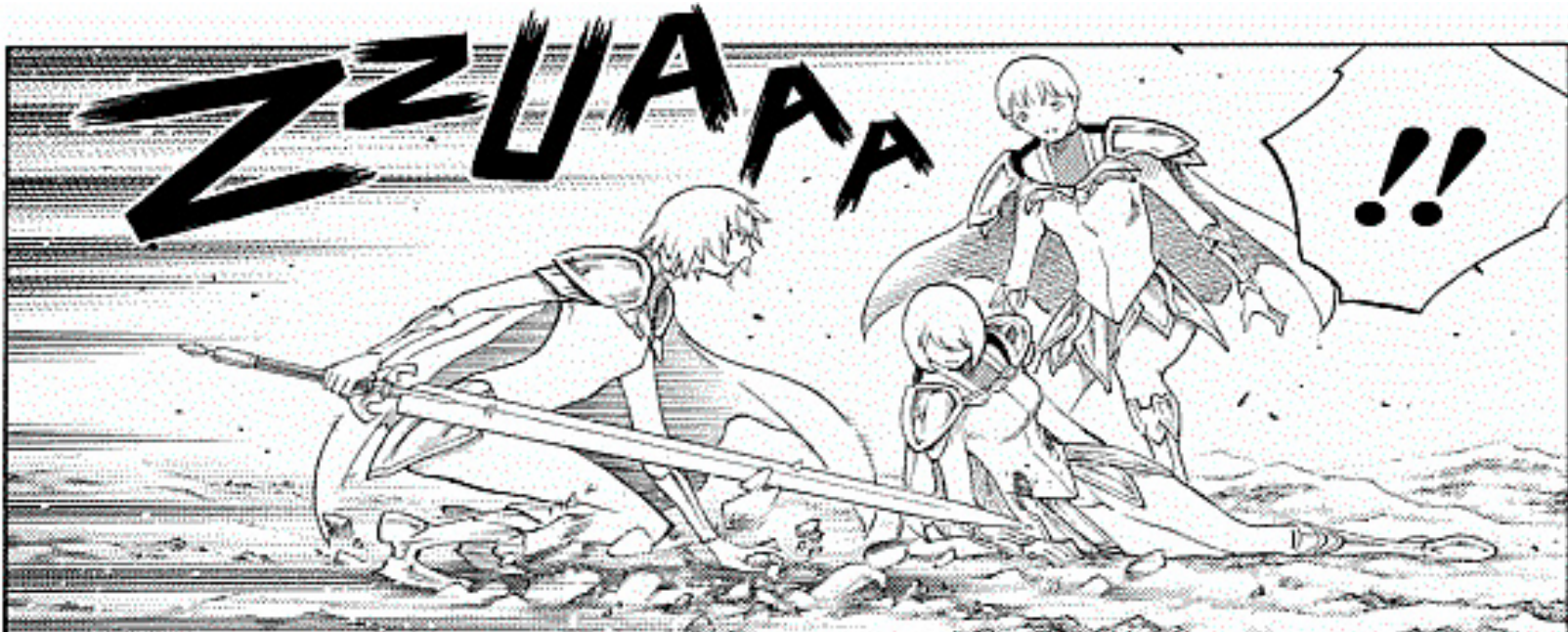




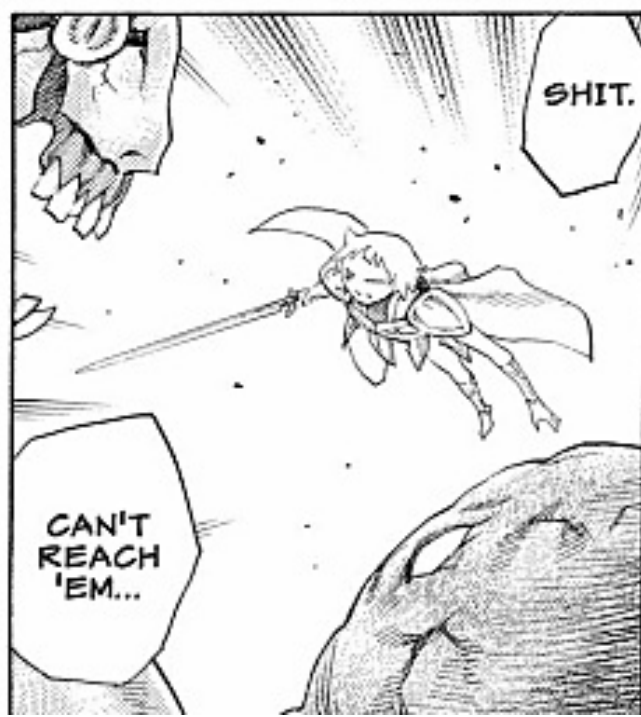
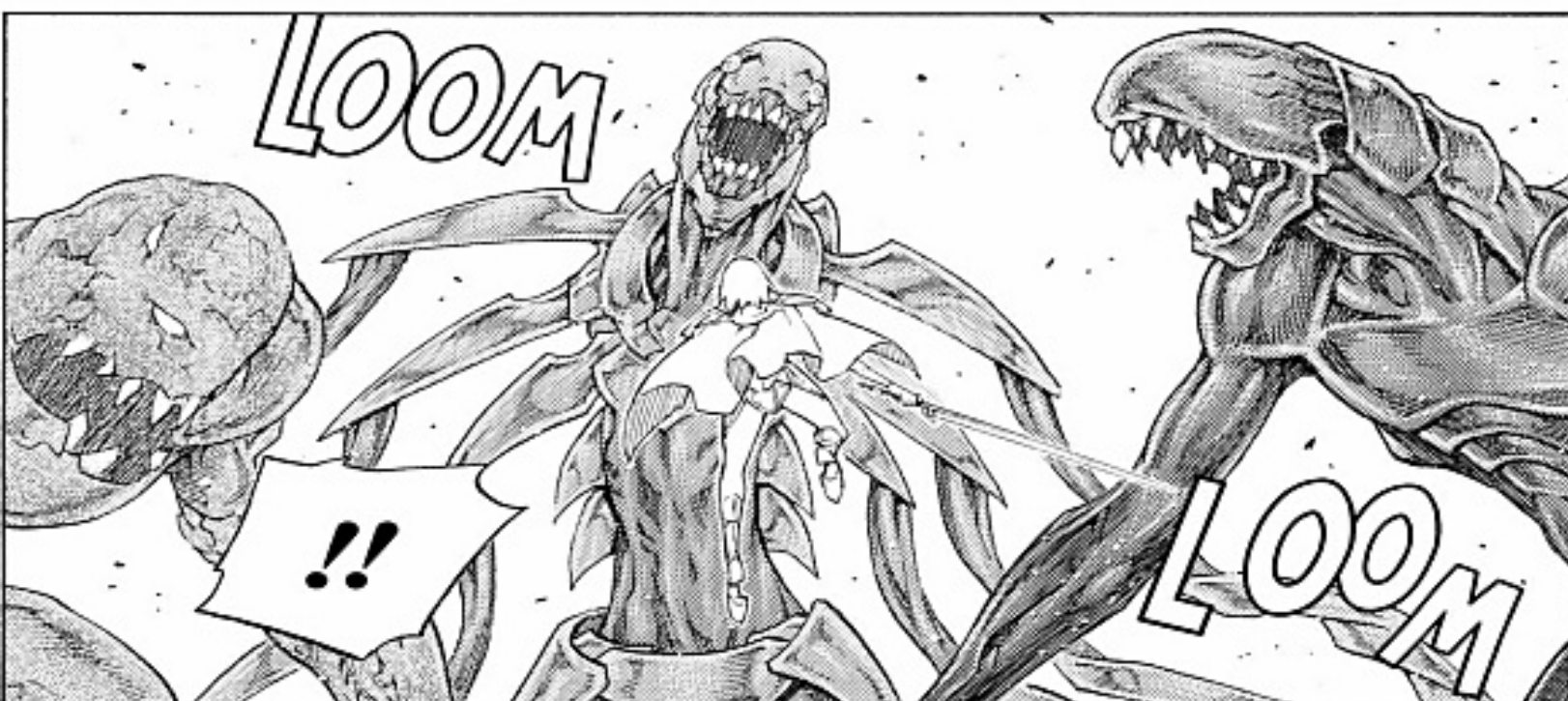


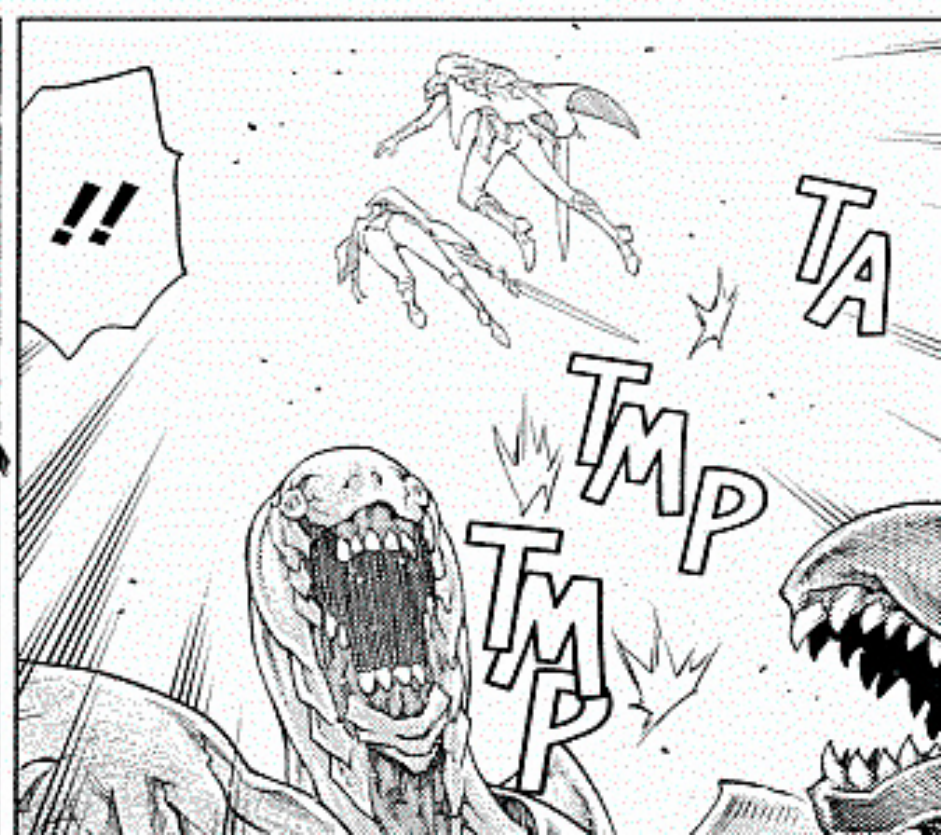
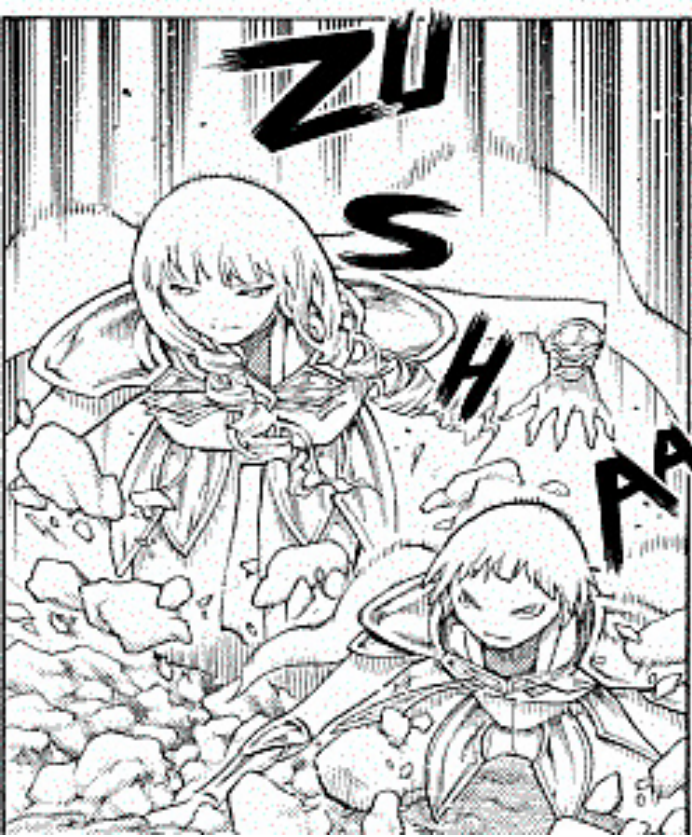
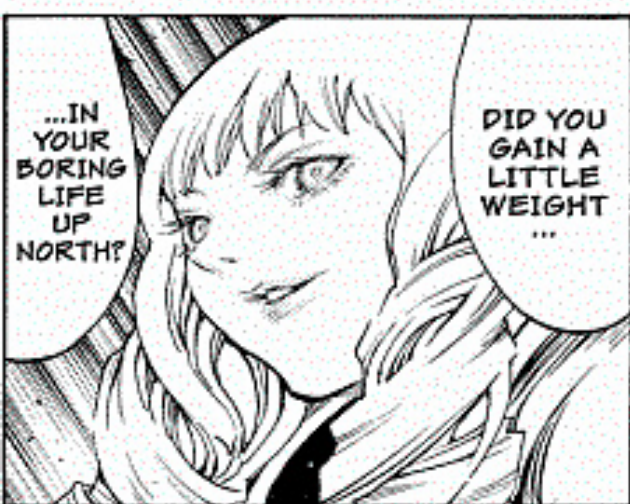
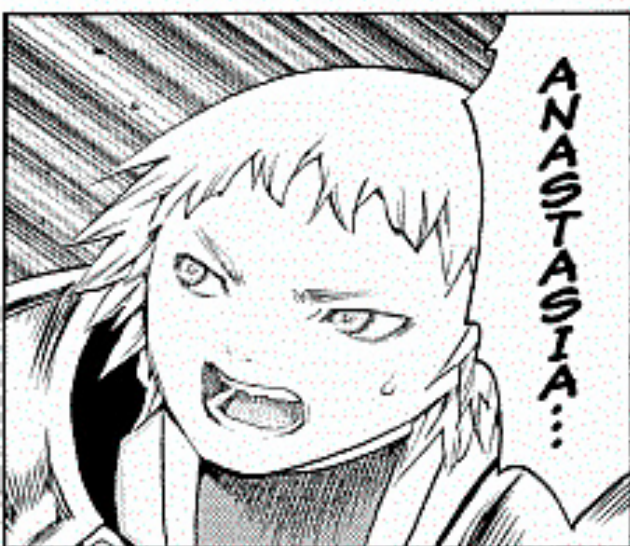










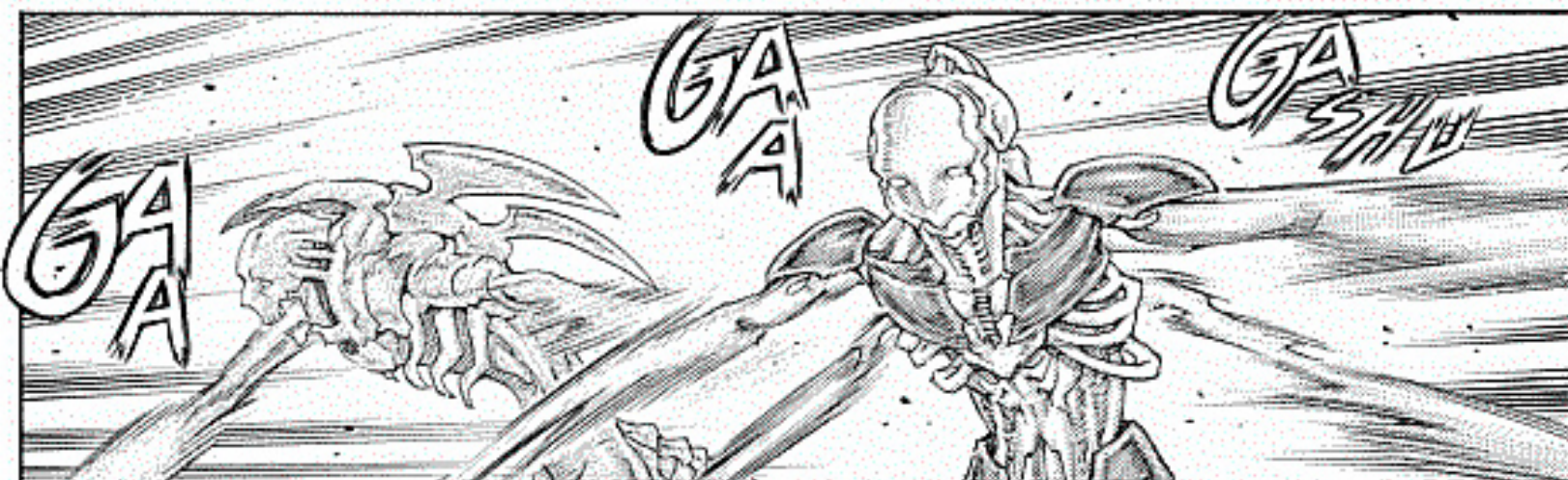


GI?

NIKE

ANA-
STASIA.

NIKE.



WHAT ...

THEY
FINALLY
NOTICED.

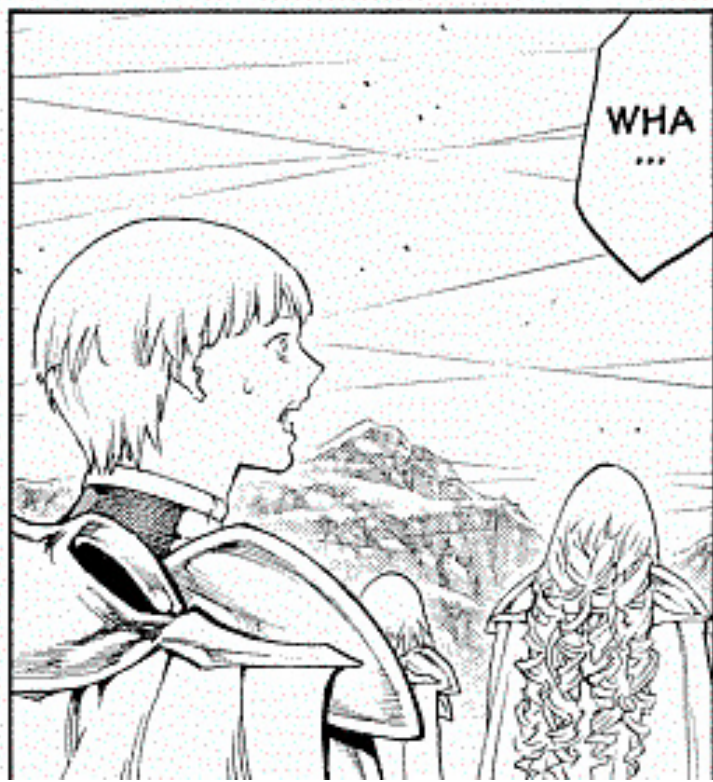
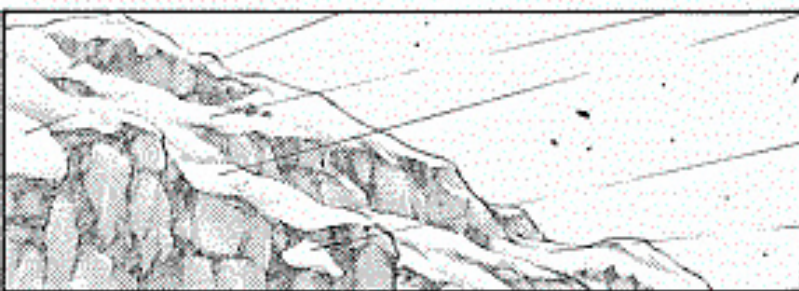
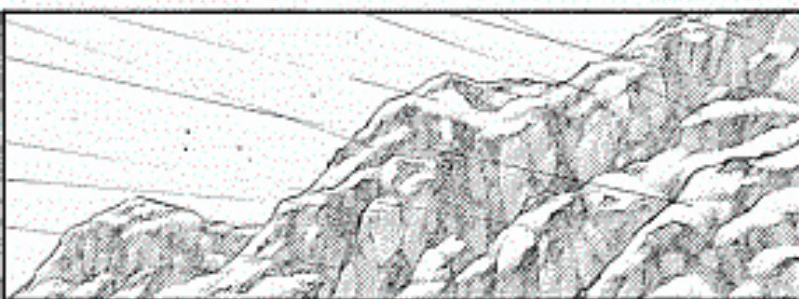
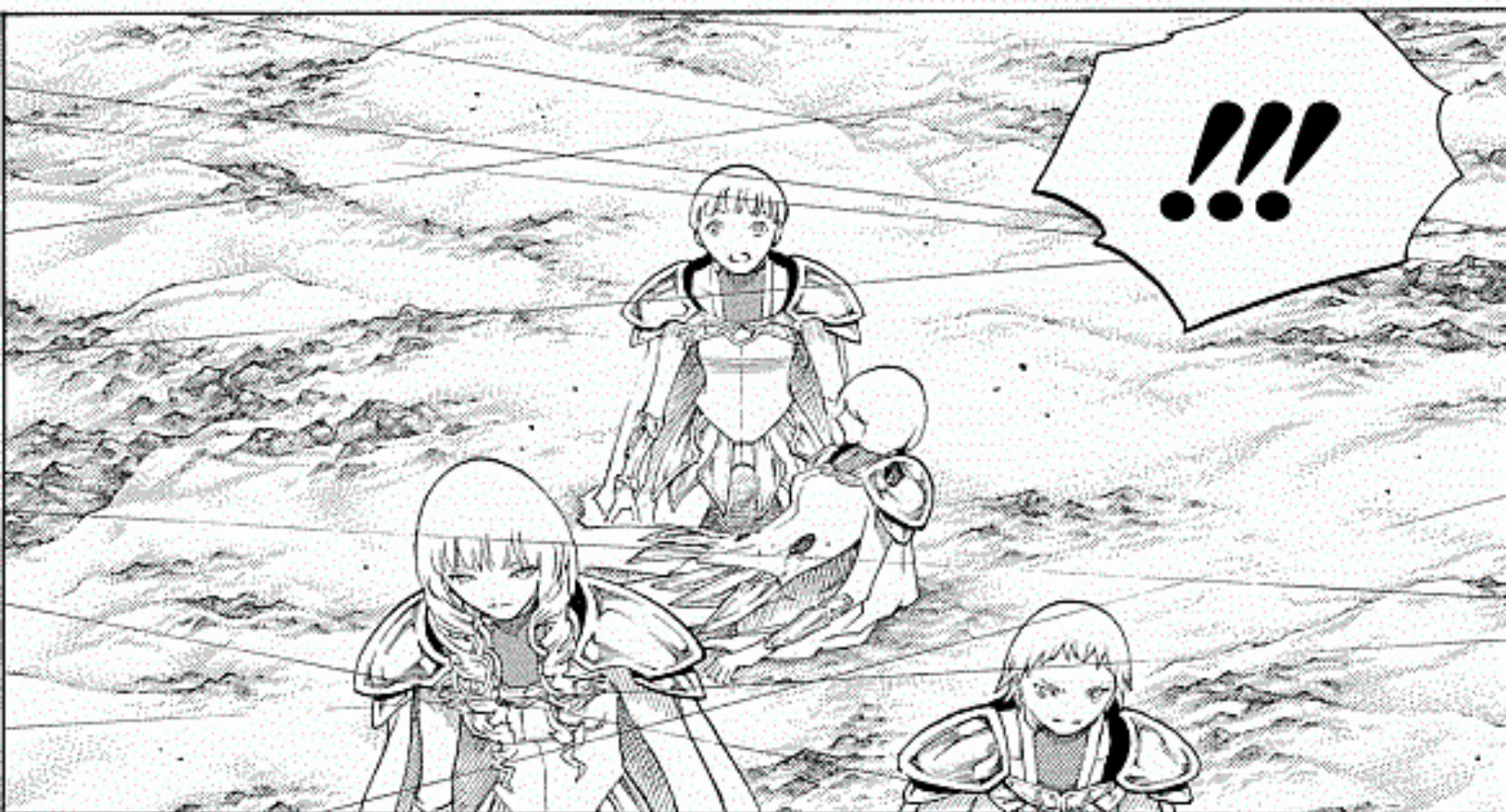
WHAT'S
GOING
ON?

WHAT
IS IT,
YOU
GUYS?

YOU
SHOWED
OFF TOO
MUCH.

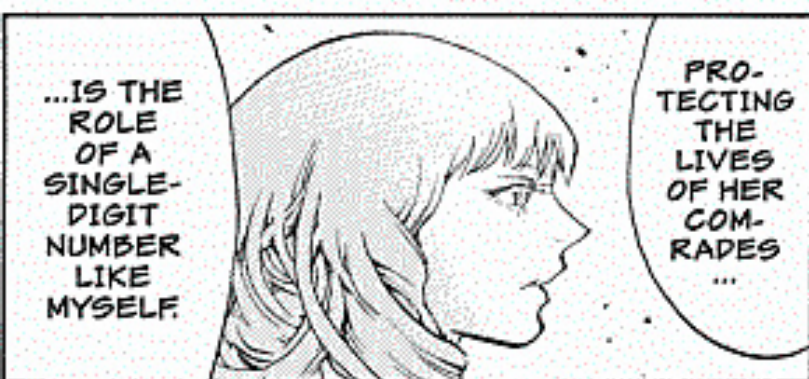
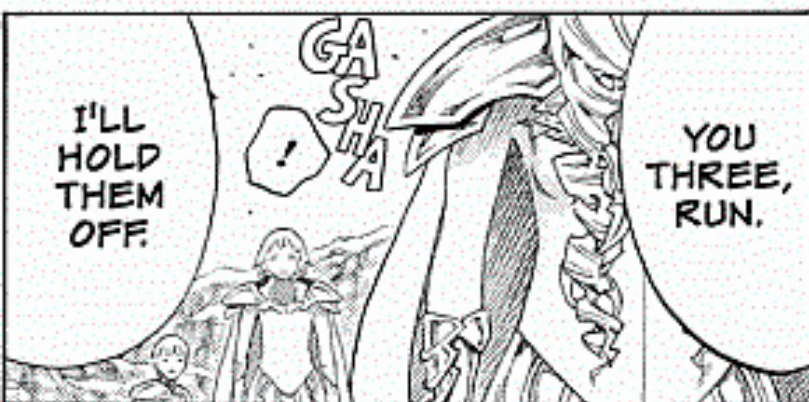
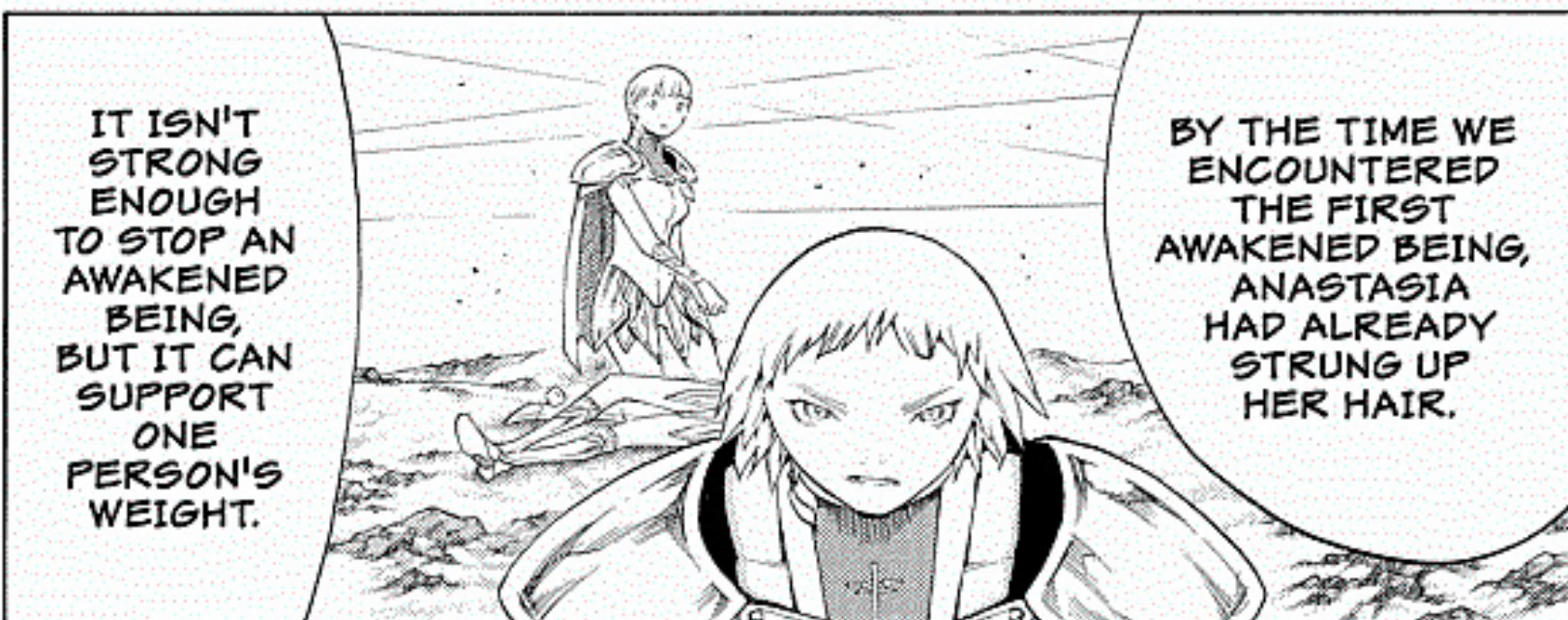
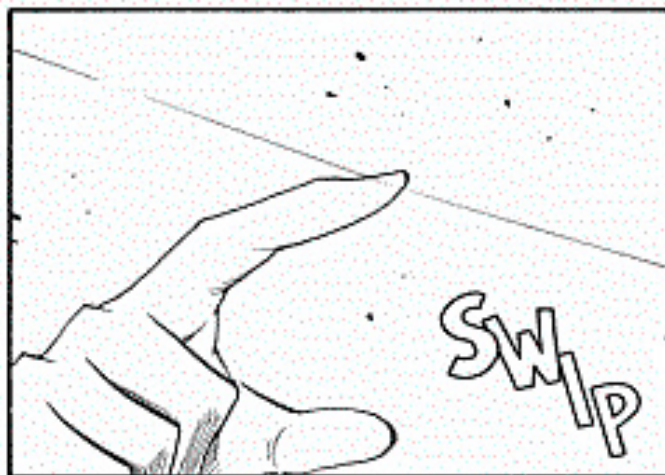
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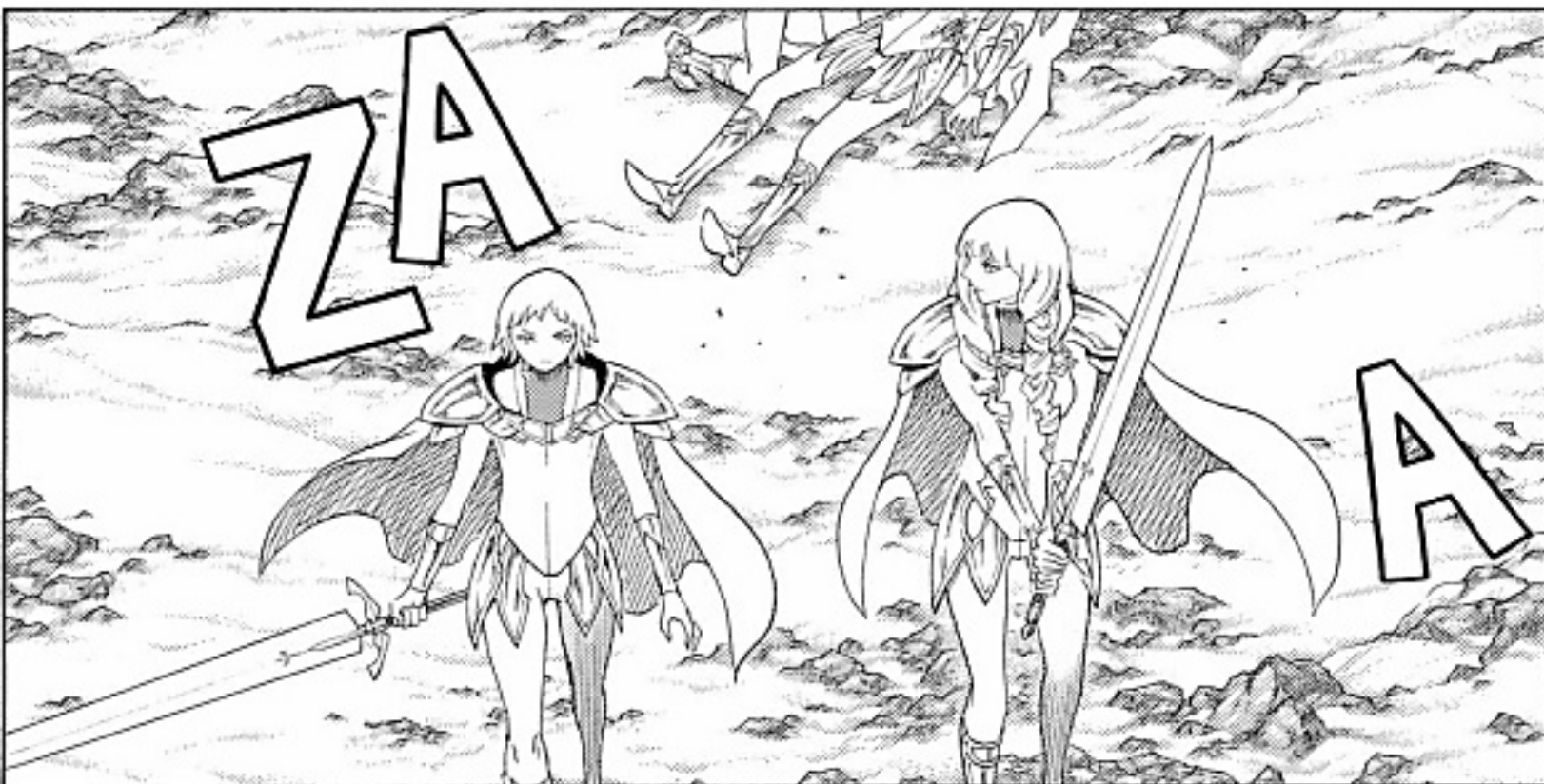
THREAD
...





DON'T
JOKE.
THAT'S
NOT
WHAT
YOU
AND I
ARE.

COM-
RADES?



...YOU
ARE A
PASSION-
ATE
ONE.

JUST
AS YOUR
EYE-
BROWS
SUGGEST
...



AND IF
WE'RE
FRIENDS,
I CAN'T
JUST
LEAVE YOU
ALONE.

YOU'RE
THE ONE
WHO
TREATED
US LIKE
FRIENDS.



WE'LL
HOLD
THEM
BACK.

KEIRA!
TAKE
PHINA
AND
RUN.



ANA-
STASIA
AND I
WILL
MANAGE
SOME-
HOW.

DON'T
WORRY.
I MAY
NOT LOOK
LIKE MUCH,
BUT I AM
NUMBER
15.

...WHAT
ABOUT
YOU
TWO?

B...
BUT...



PHINA
IS IN
YOUR
HANDS.

GO!



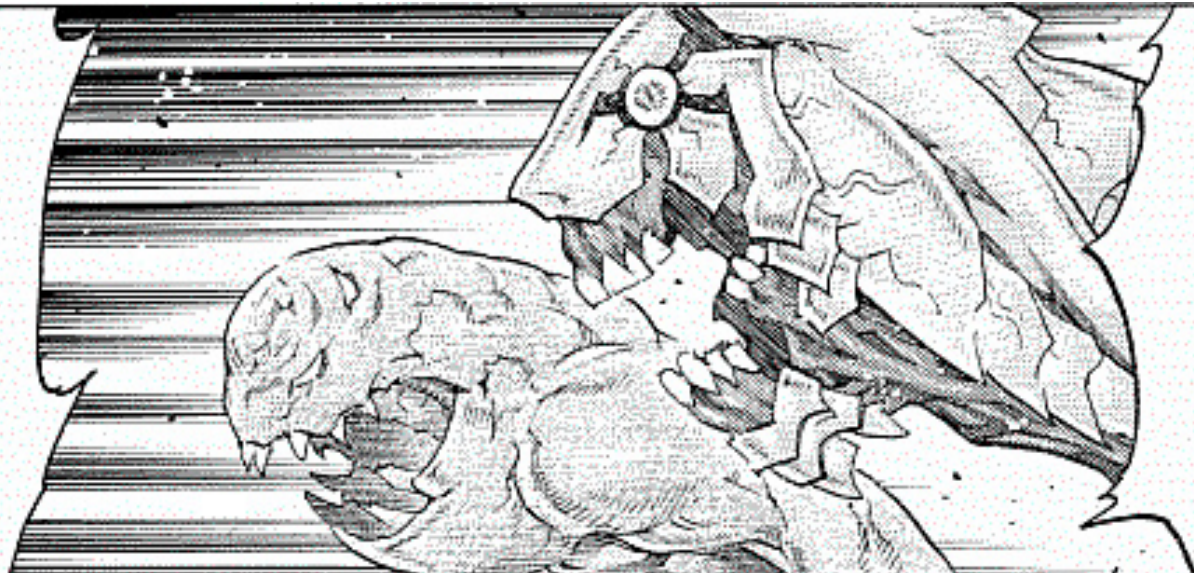
URGH
...



GRAA

AAAAH

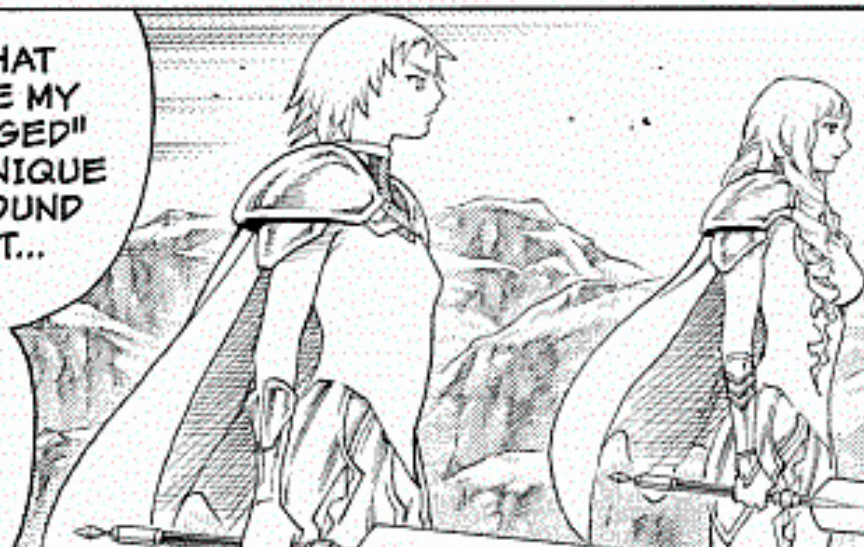
AAAAHH



GRAAAA

...THAT
ONCE MY
"WINGED"
TECHNIQUE
IS FOUND
OUT...

...IT'S
SURPRISINGLY
INEFFECTUAL
IN A FIGHT?



DID YOU
KNOW,
NIKE...

WE'RE
FRIENDS,
SO
THERE'S
NO
CHOICE.

THAT'S WHY
I'M WILLING
TO DIE
WITH YOU
LIKE THIS.



I
KNOW.



IS THAT A
COMPLIMENT
OR AN
INSULT?

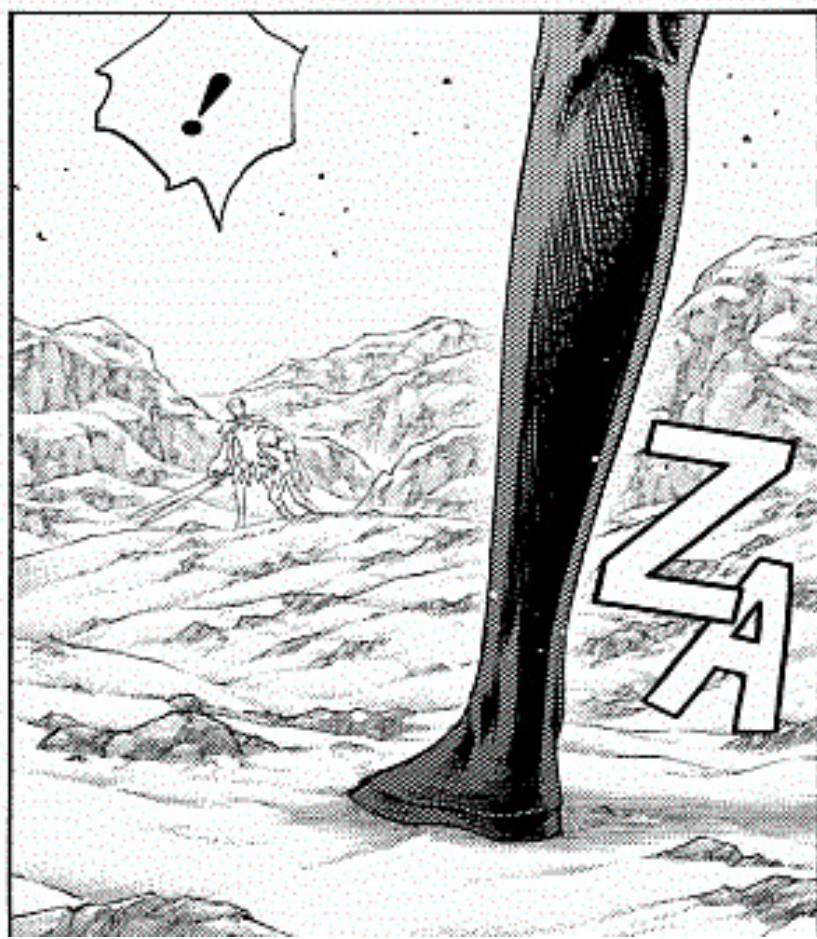
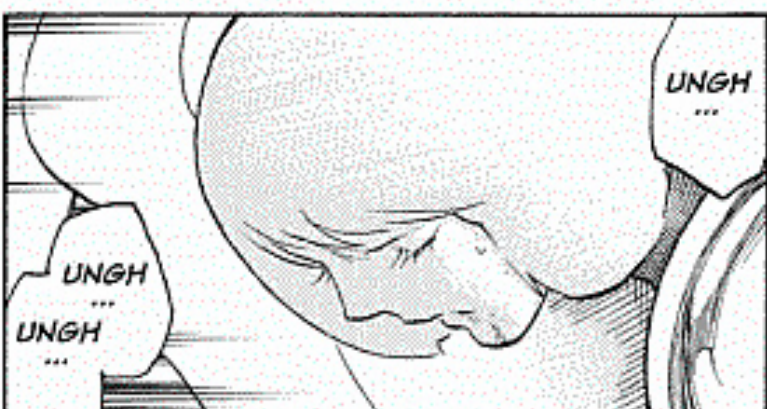
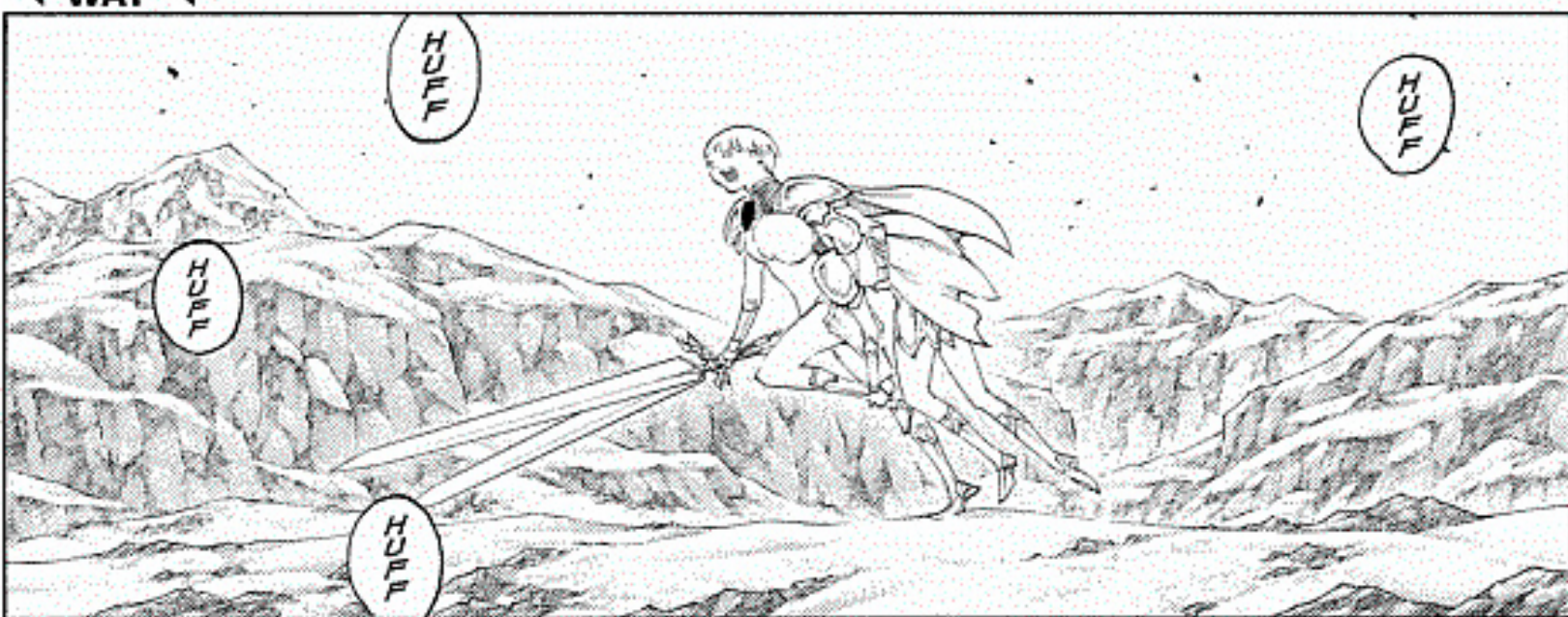


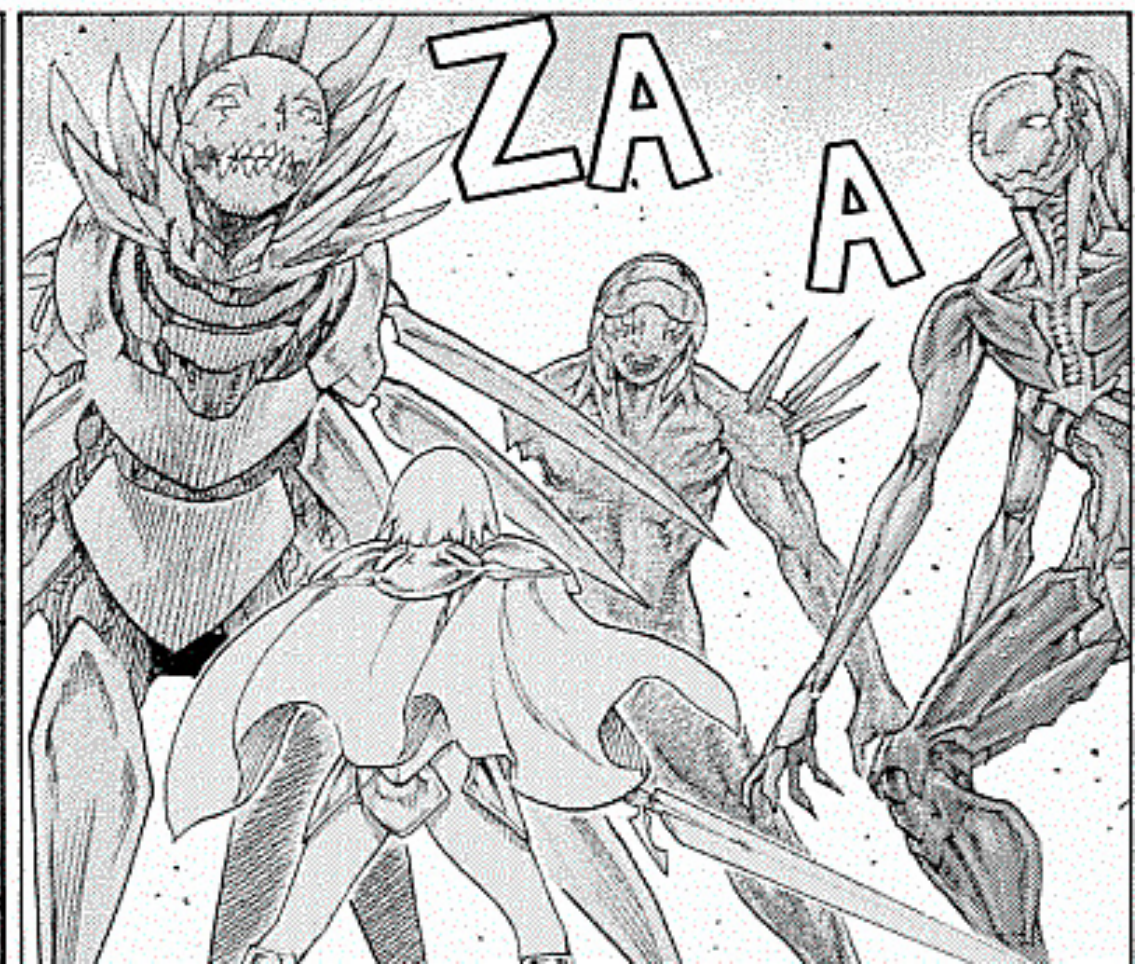
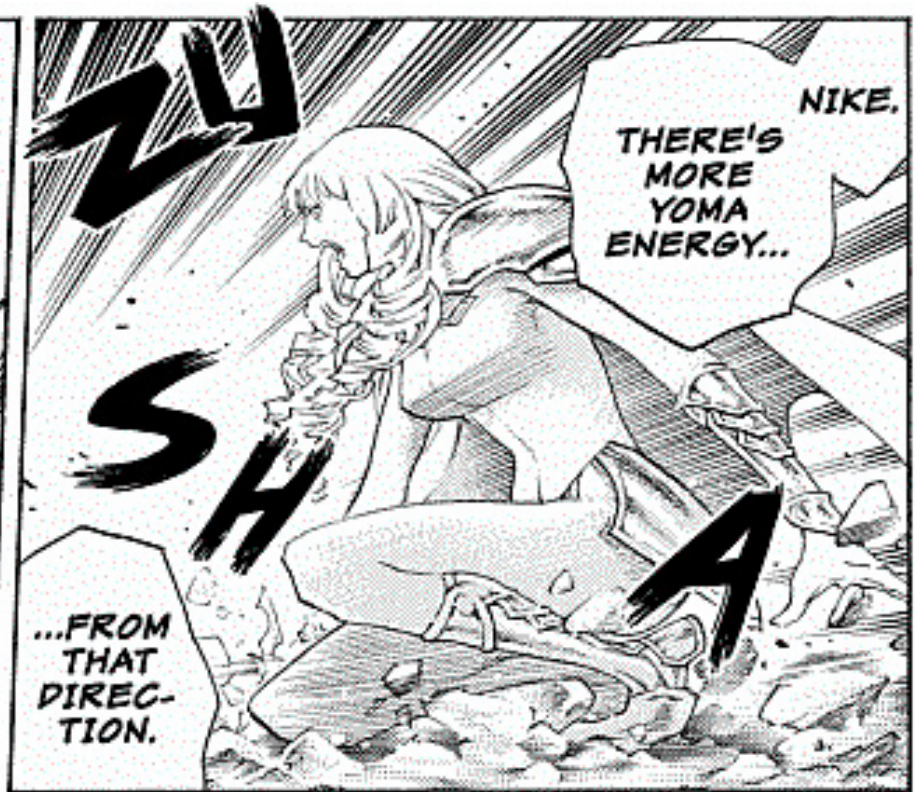
FEH!

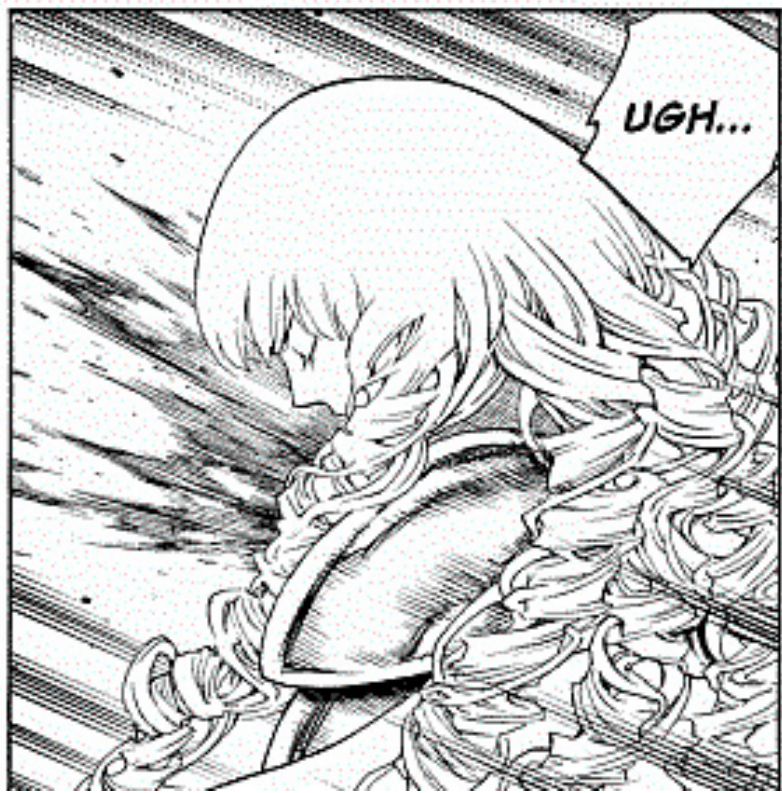
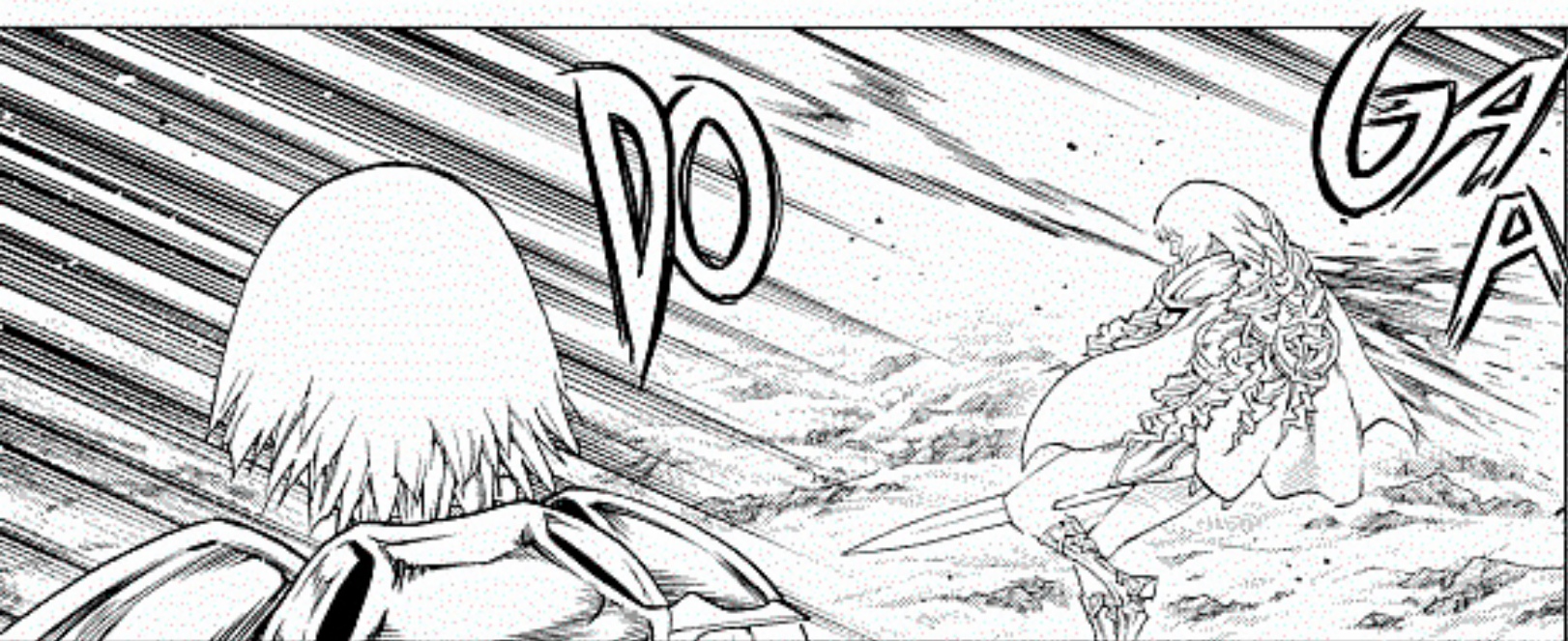
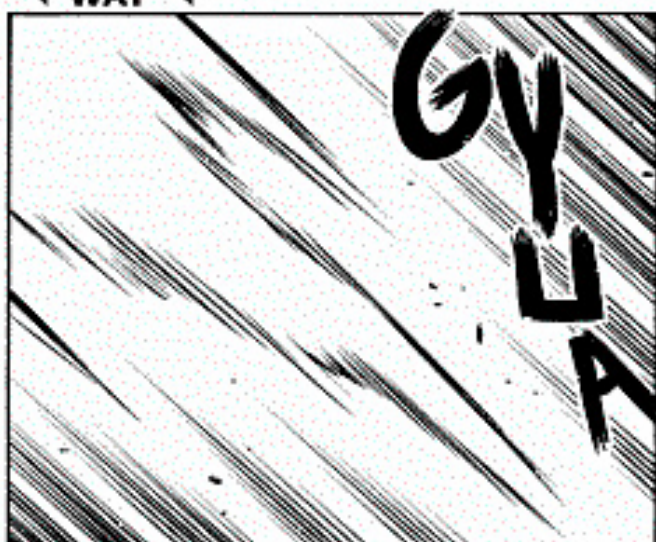
...YOU
REALLY
ARE A
GOOD
WOMAN.



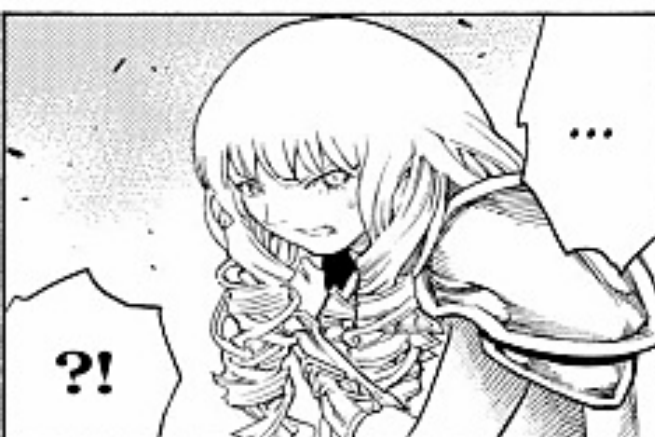
DESPITE
APPEAR-
ANCES
...

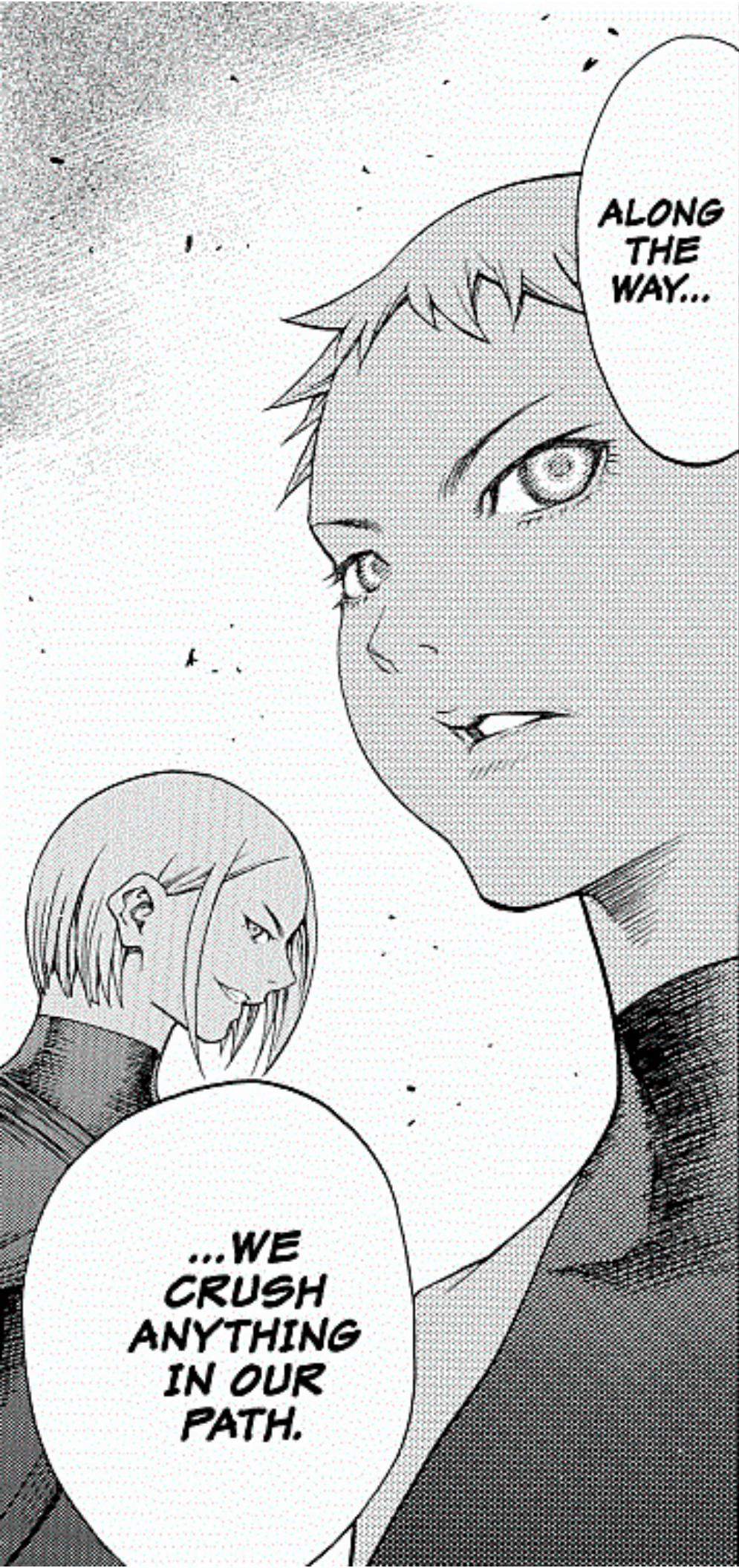










A large, close-up, black and white manga-style illustration of a character's face. The character has short, spiky hair and a determined, slightly menacing expression. A speech bubble is positioned near the top right of the face.

ALONG
THE
WAY...

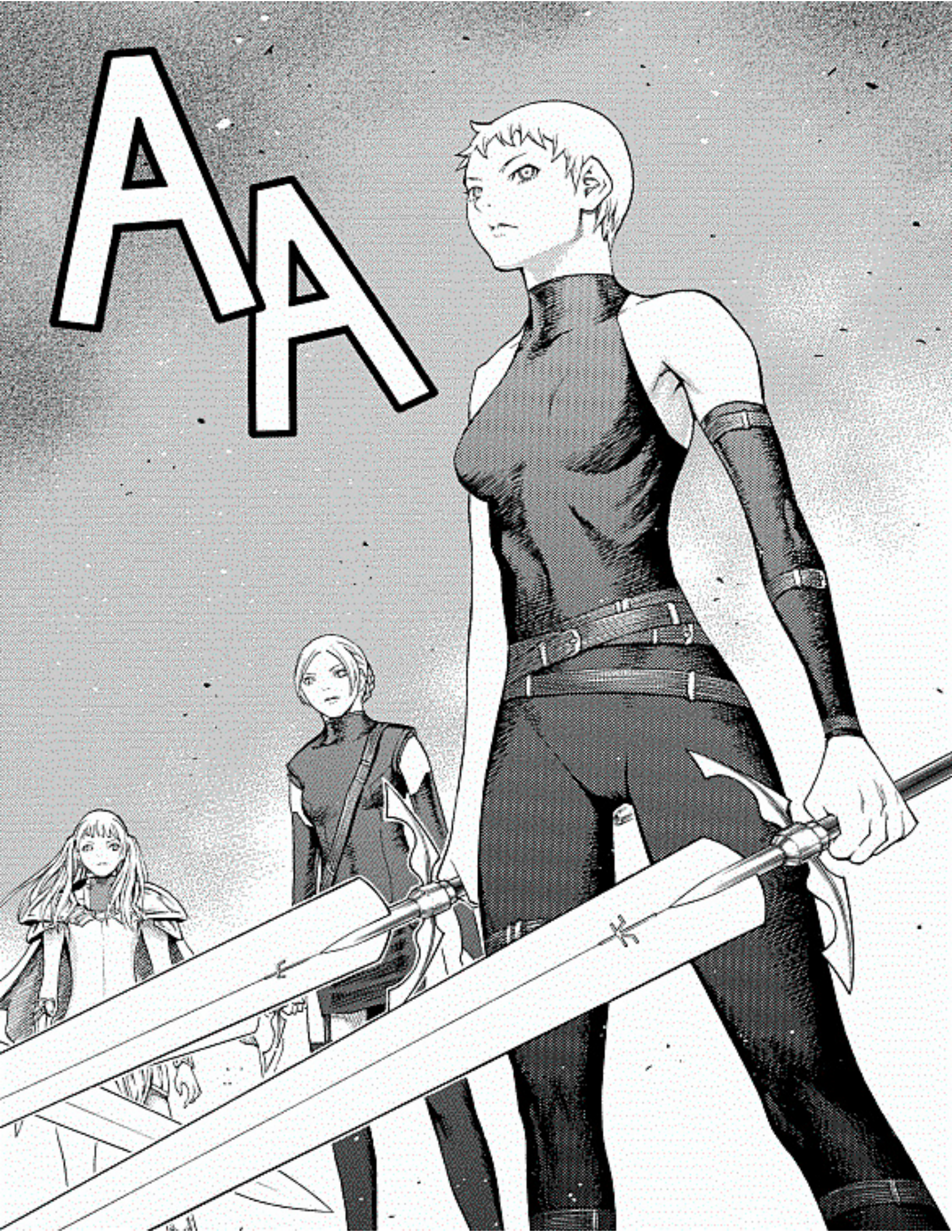
A smaller, black and white manga-style illustration of the same character's head in profile, facing right. The character has a slight, confident smile. A speech bubble is positioned below the head.

...WE
CRUSH
ANYTHING
IN OUR
PATH.

A large, bold, white letter 'Z' with a thick black outline, set against a dark, textured background. It is positioned in the upper right corner of the right panel.

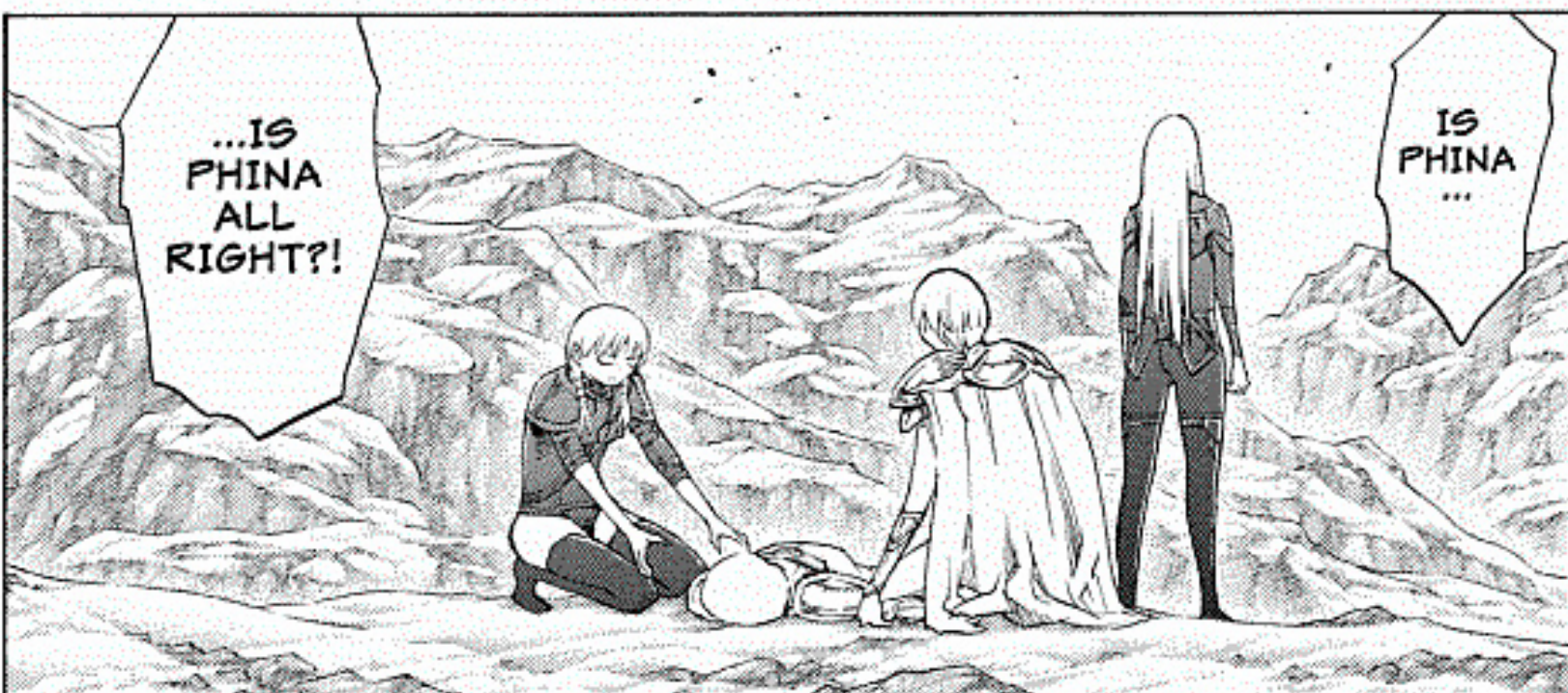
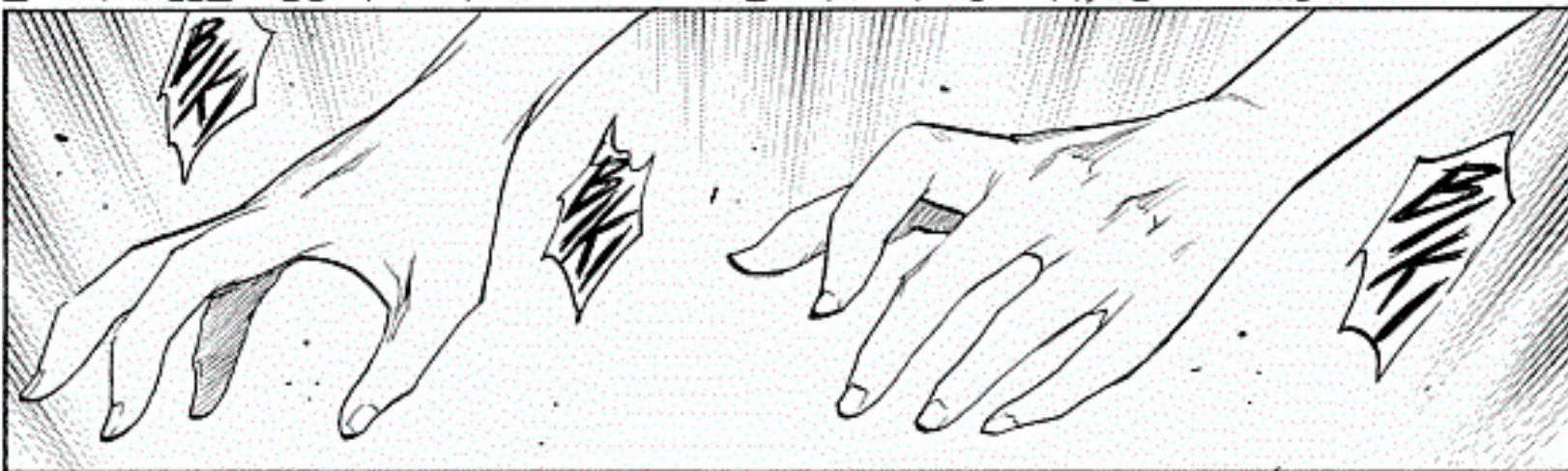
Z





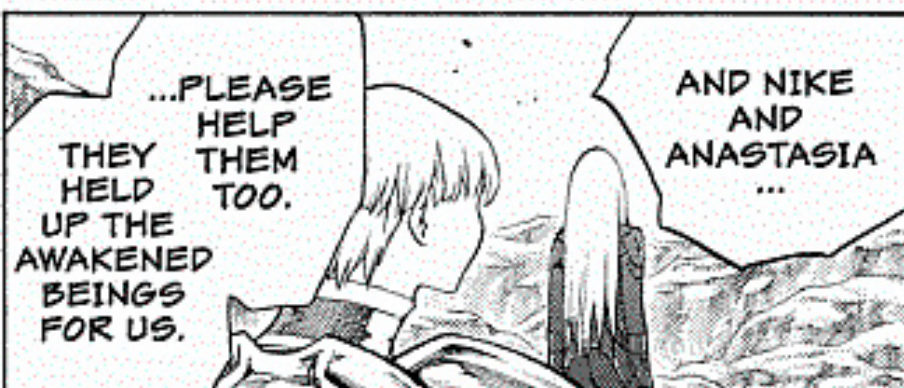
クレイモア
Claymore

SCENE 112: REMAINS OF THE DEMON CLAW, PART 3



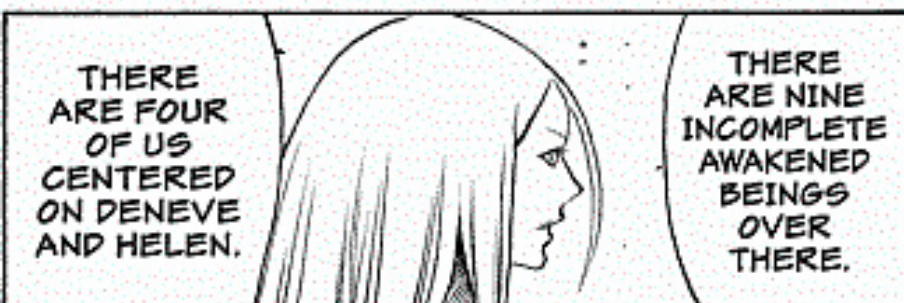
...IS
PHINA
ALL
RIGHT?!

IS
PHINA
...



...PLEASE
HELP
THEM
TOO.
THEY
HELP
UP THE
AWAKENED
BEINGS
FOR US.

AND NIKE
AND
ANASTASIA
...



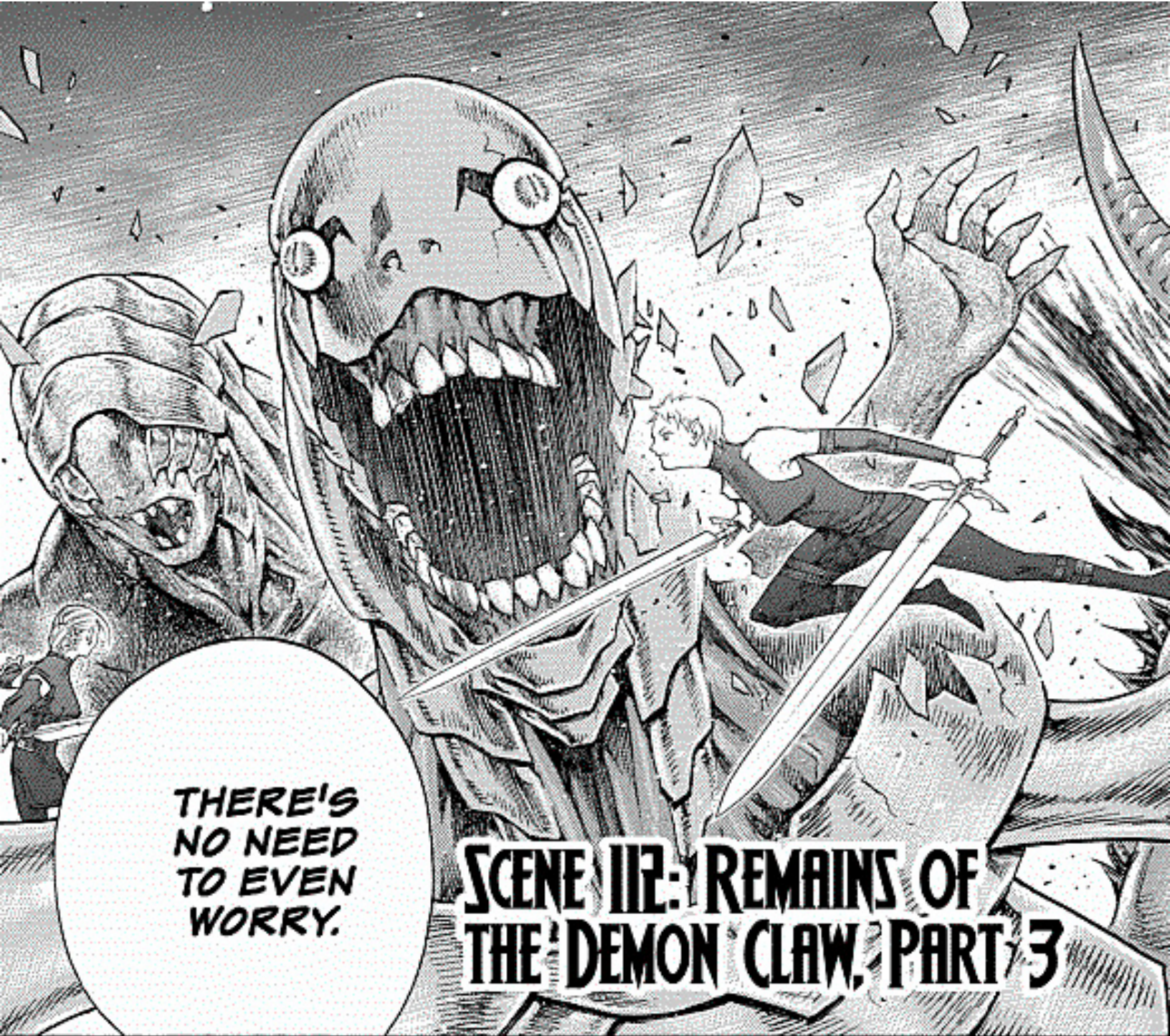
THERE
ARE FOUR
OF US
CENTERED
ON DENEVE
AND HELEN.

THERE
ARE NINE
INCOMPLETE
AWAKENED
BEINGS
OVER
THERE.



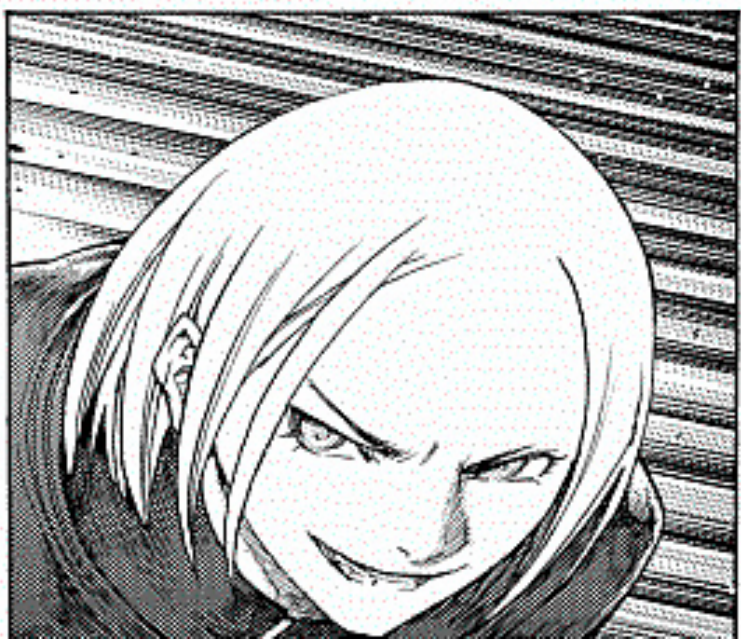
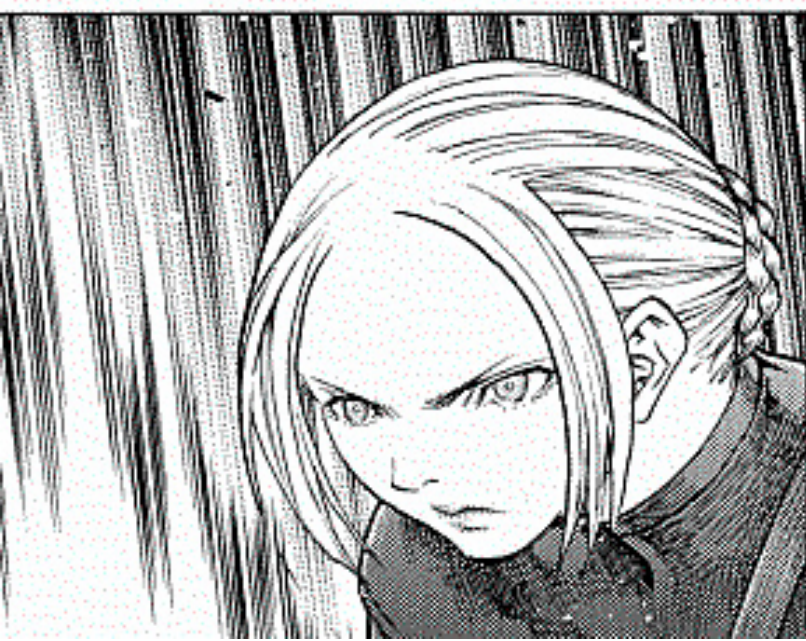
SHE'S AN
OFFENSIVE
TYPE WHO
DOESN'T
HEAL WELL.

IT WILL
TAKE
SOME TIME,
BUT SHE'LL
BE FINE.



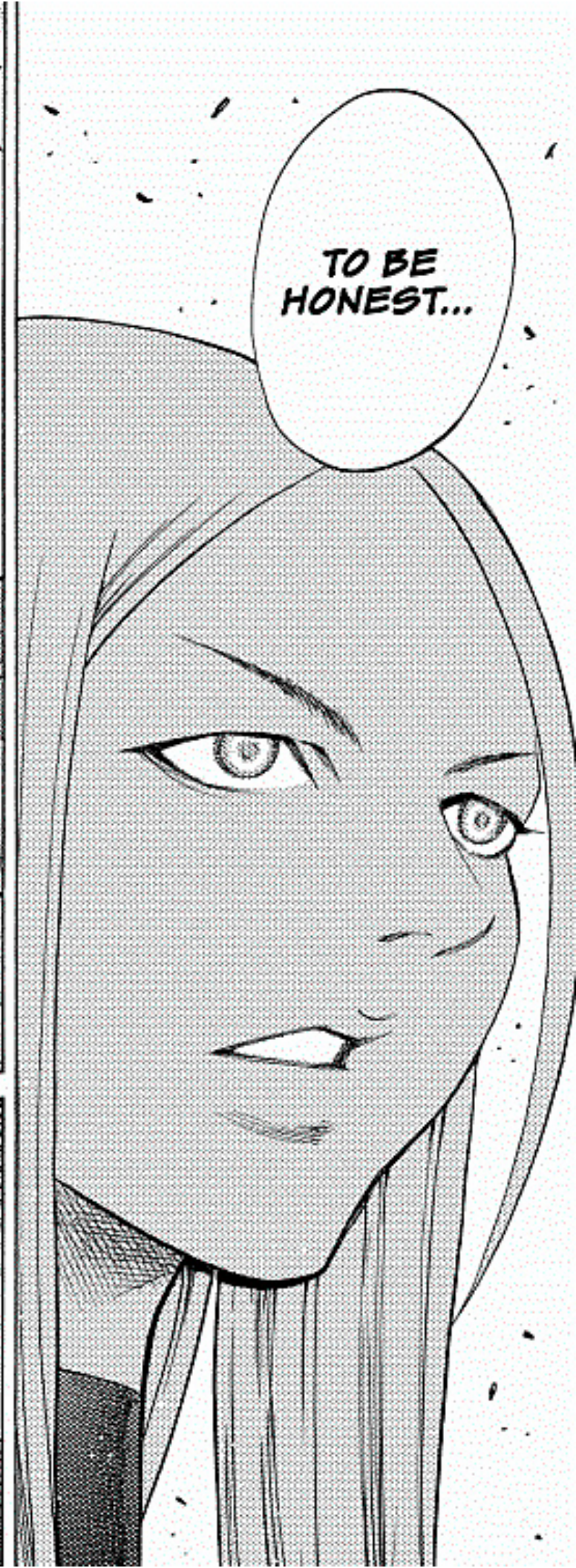
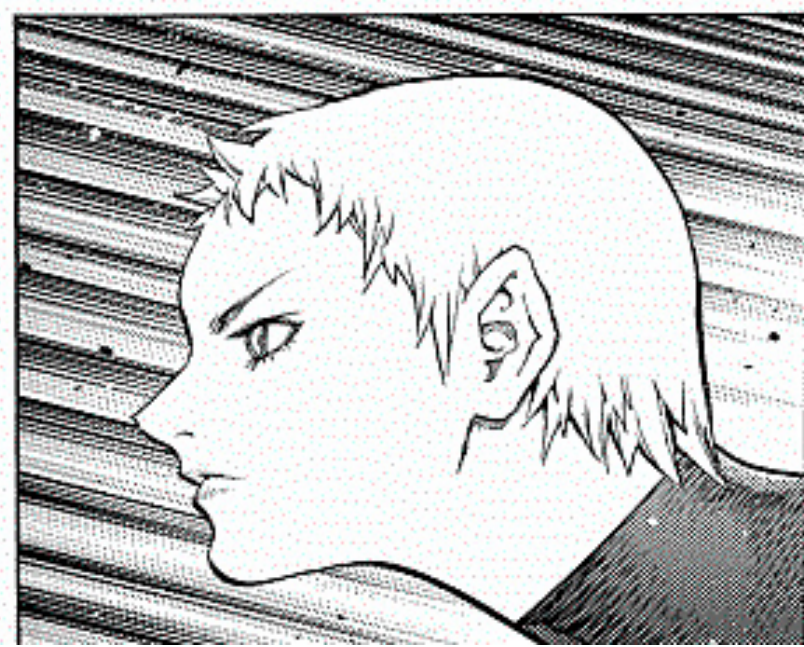
THERE'S
NO NEED
TO EVEN
WORRY.

SCENE 112: REMAINS OF THE DEMON CLAW, PART 3





...THE
DIFFER-
ENCE IN
STRENGTH
IS TOO
GREAT.



TO BE
HONEST...



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GYA



GA...



W...
WHAT
IS
THIS...

WHAT
IN THE
WORLD IS
HAPPEN-
ING...



THEY
ARE
STRONG
INDIVIDU-
ALLY...

...BUT
THEIR MAIN
STRENGTH
IS HOW
THEY WORK
TOGETHER.



AND
HOW
CAN
THEY
BE...

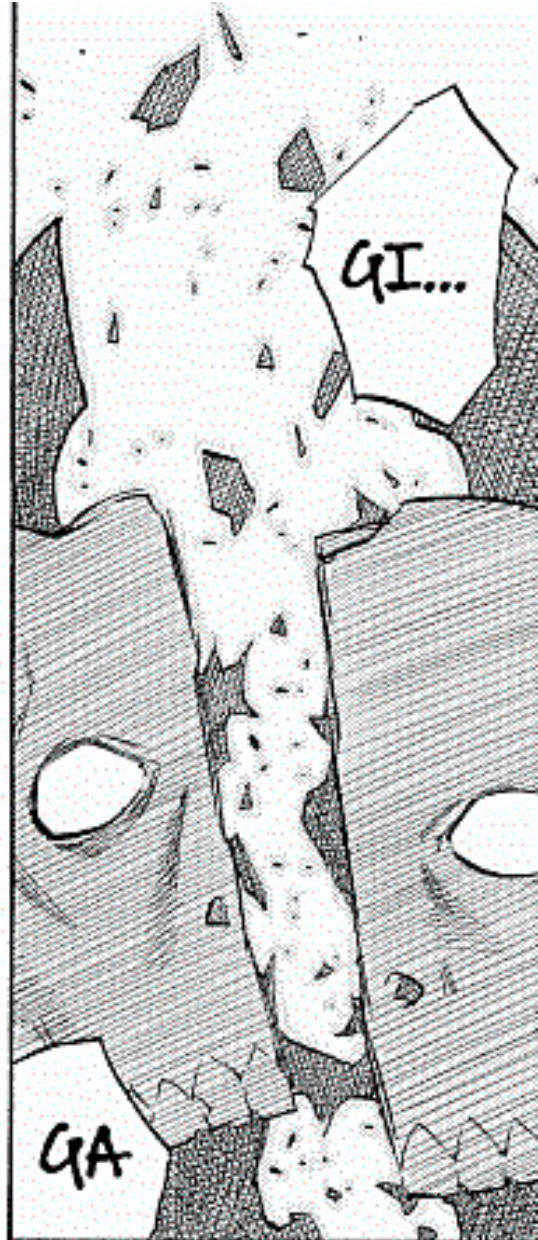
...SO
AMAZ-
INGLY
STRONG?

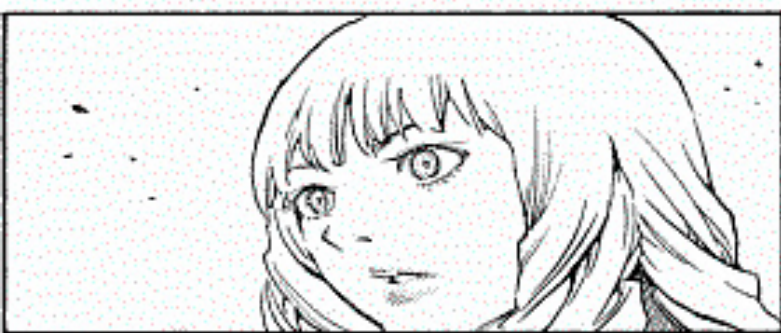
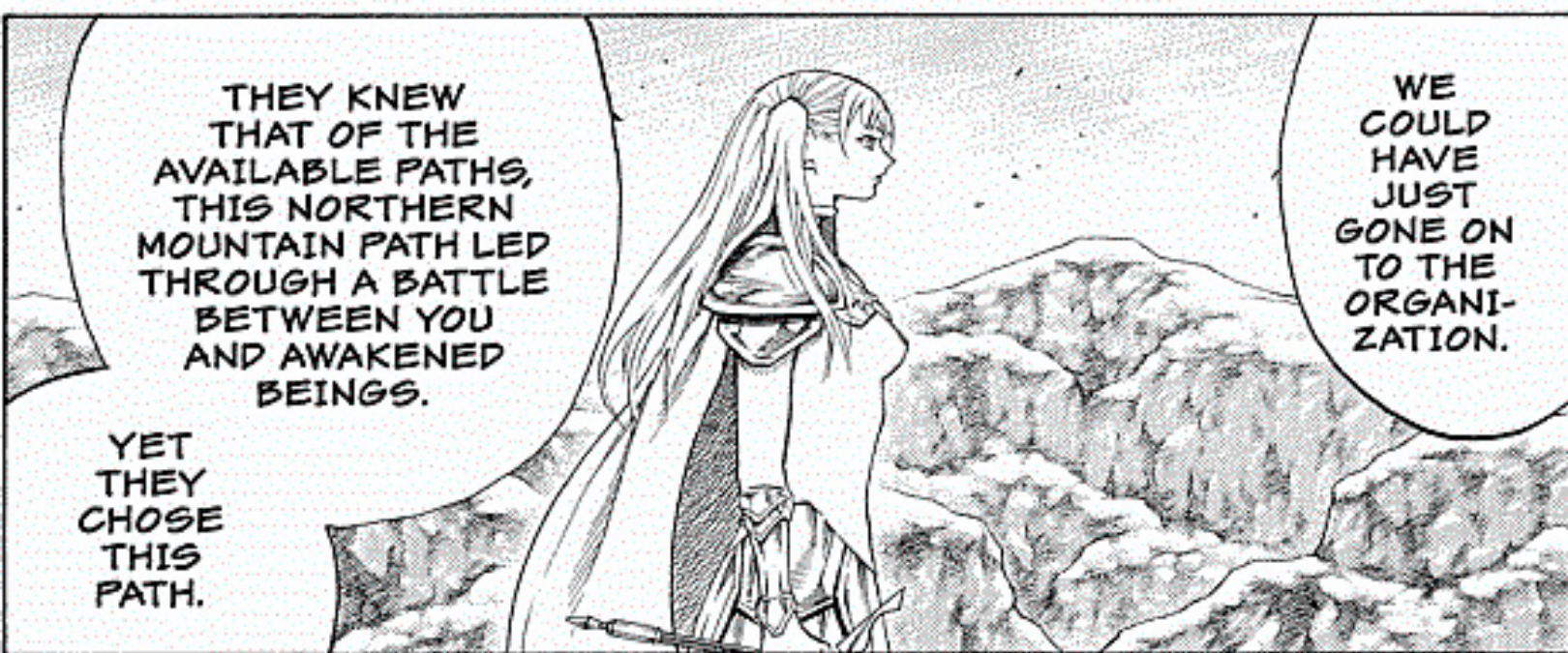
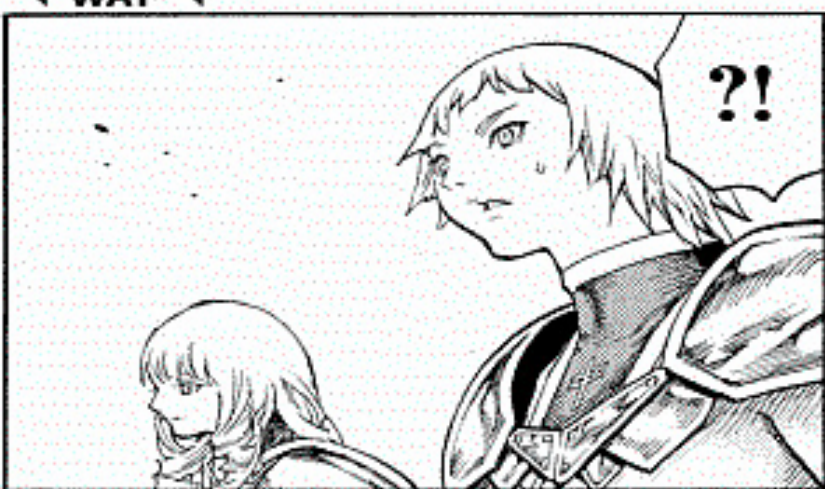


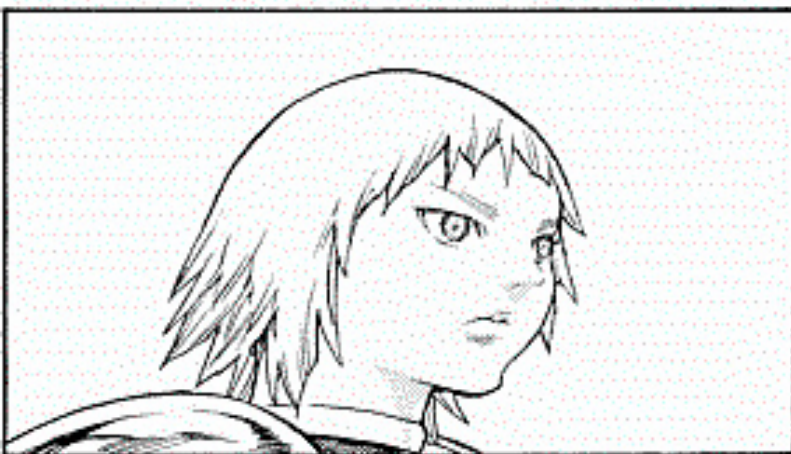
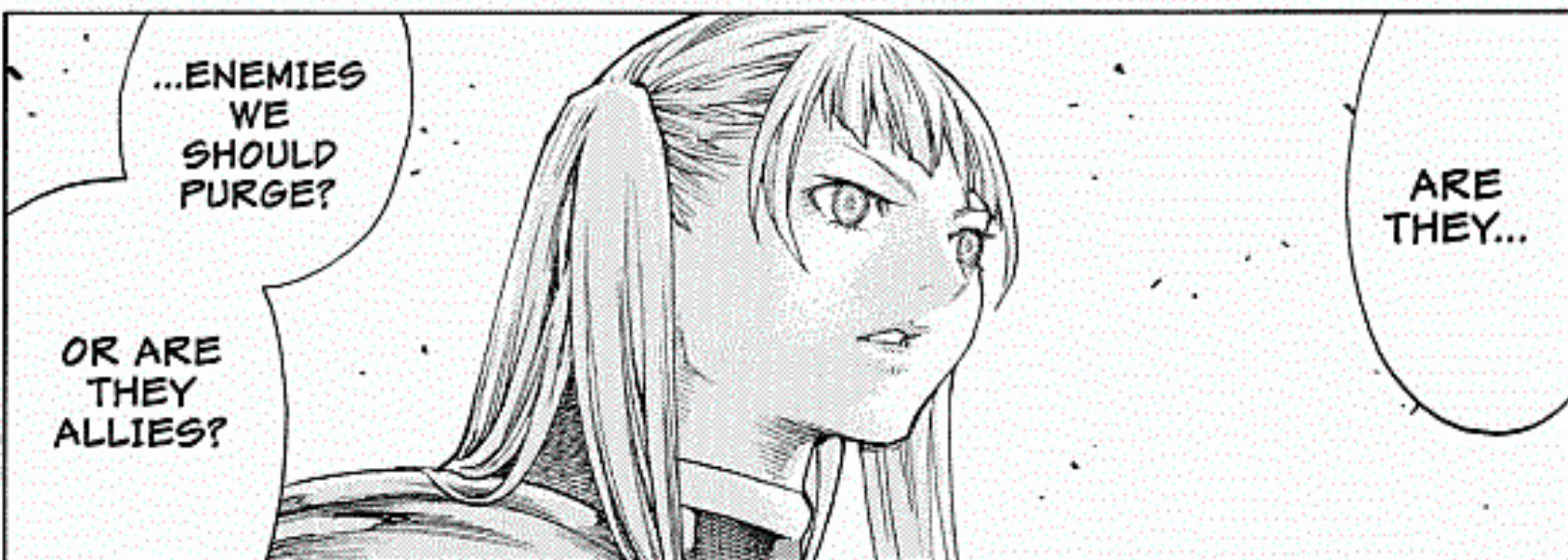
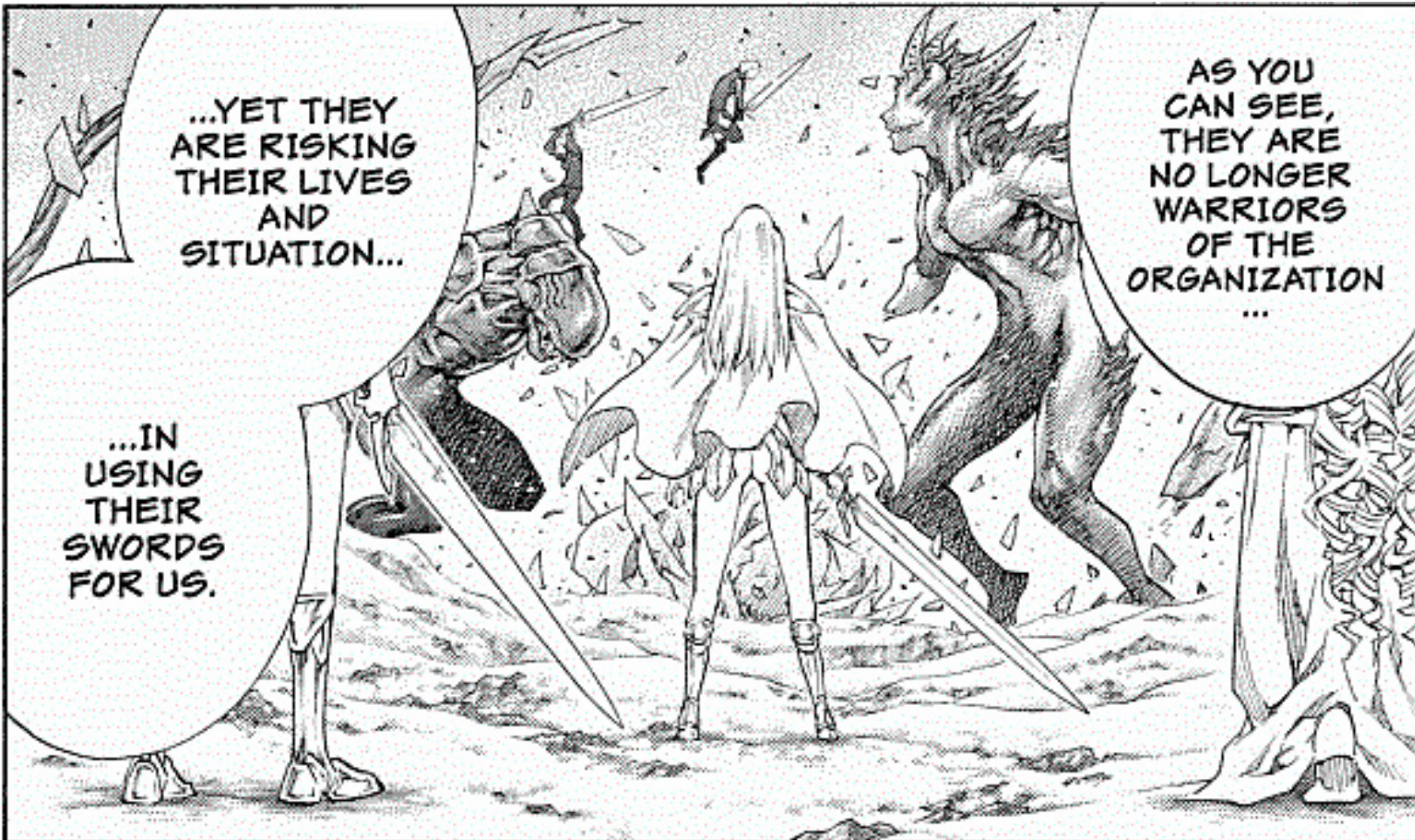
THEY EACH
MOVE AS IF
ACCUSTOMED
TO KILLING
AWAKENED
BEINGS.

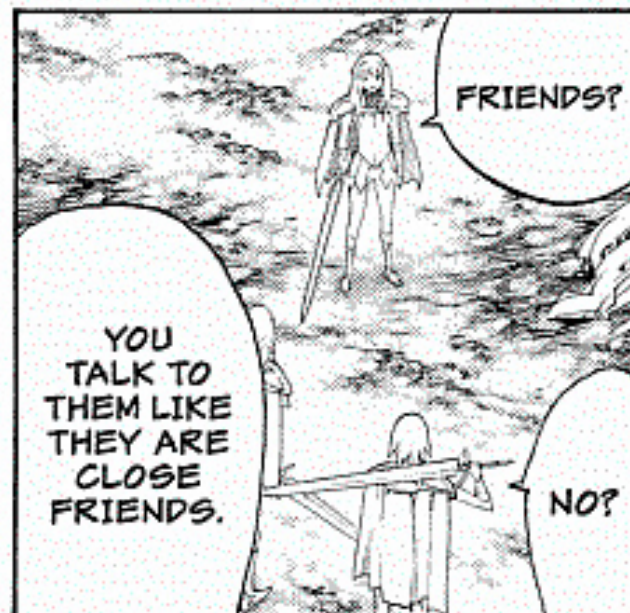
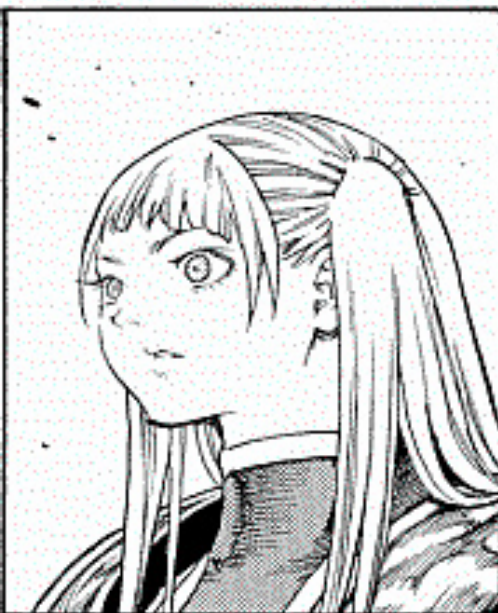
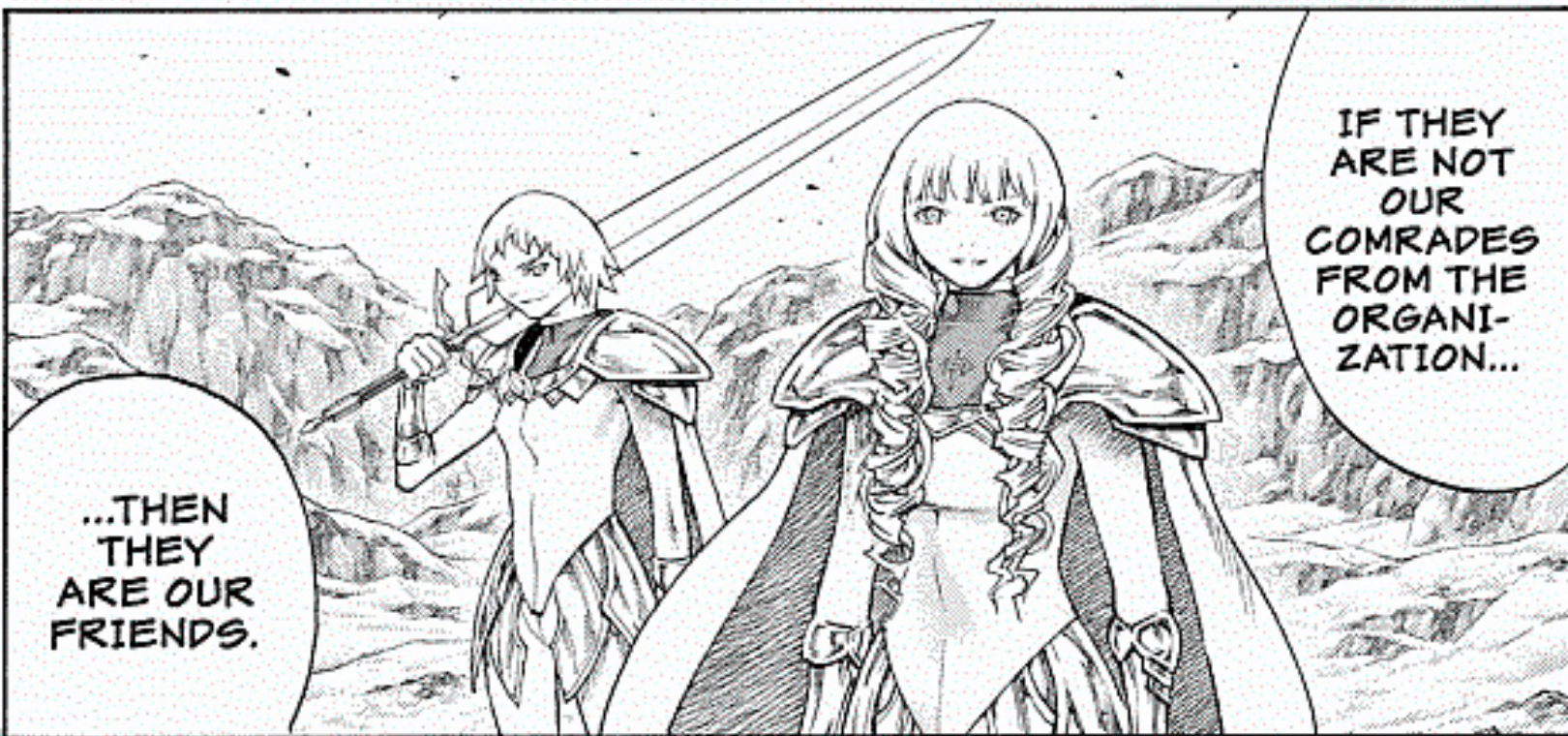
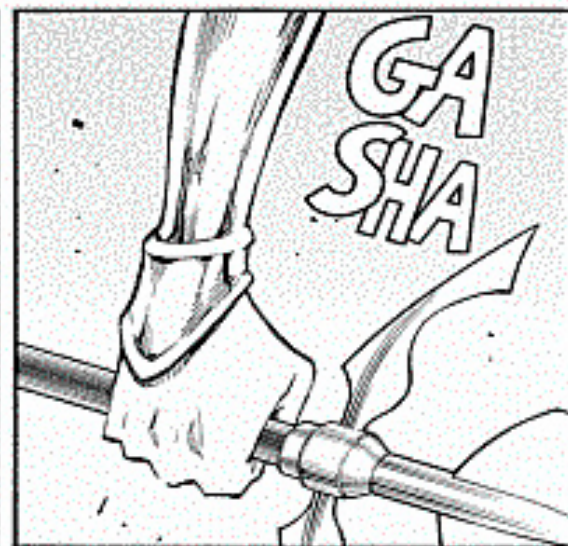
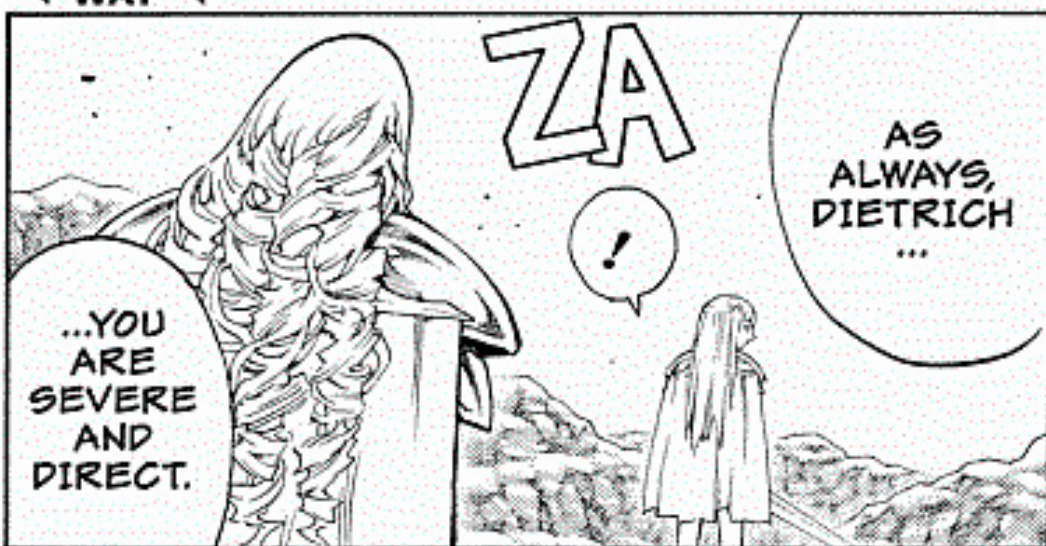
IT'S
ALMOST
AS IF THAT
IS HOW
THEY HAVE
SURVIVED.











LET'S
JOIN
IN.

GA
SHA

WELL,
EITHER WAY,
IF WE JUST
LEAVE
THE FIGHT
TO THEM
WE'LL LOSE
OUR CRED
AS WORKING
WARRIORS.

G
R
A
A
A

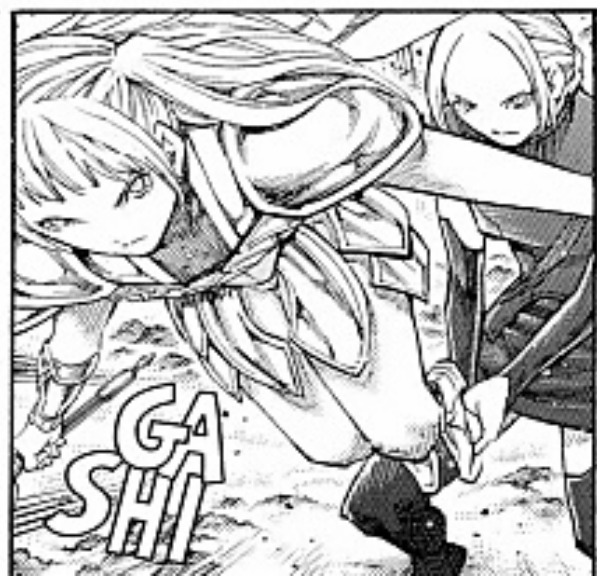
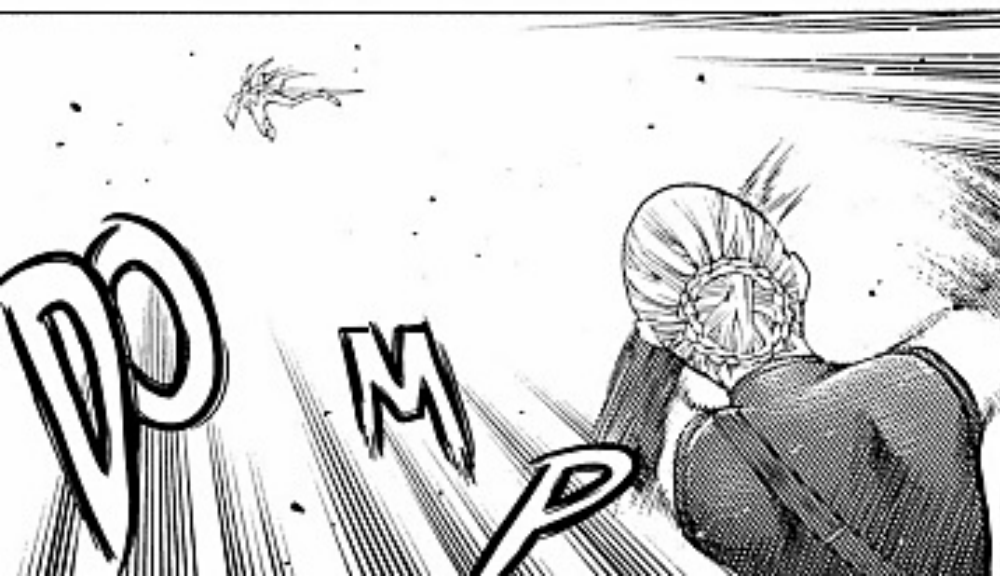
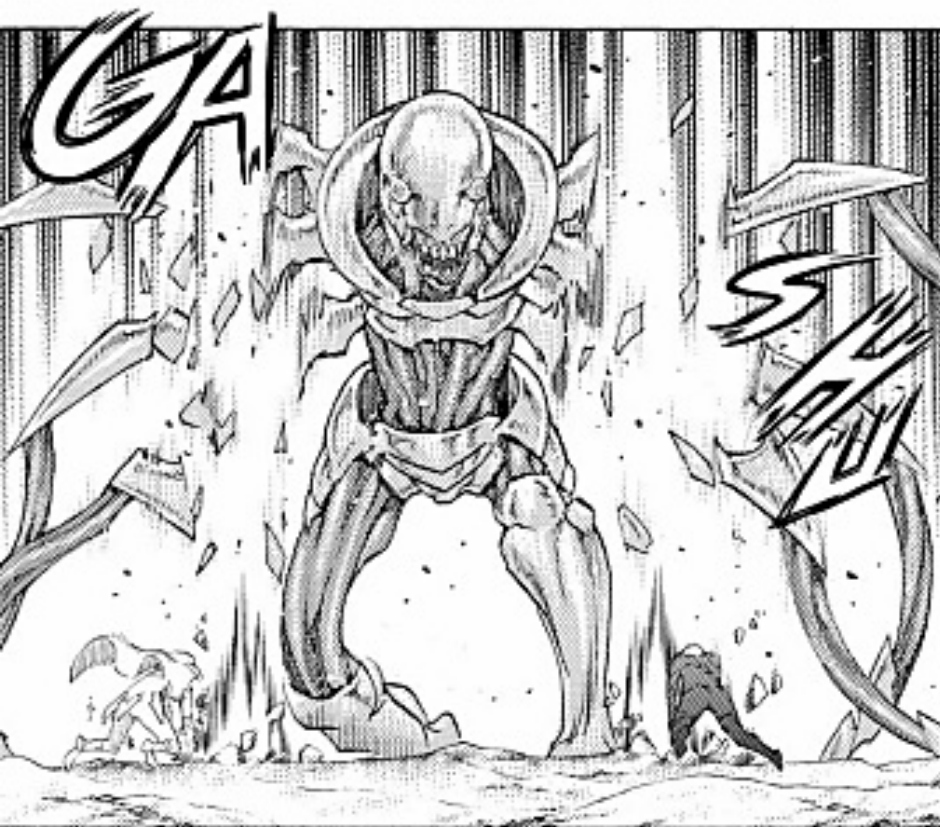
TA TUMP!

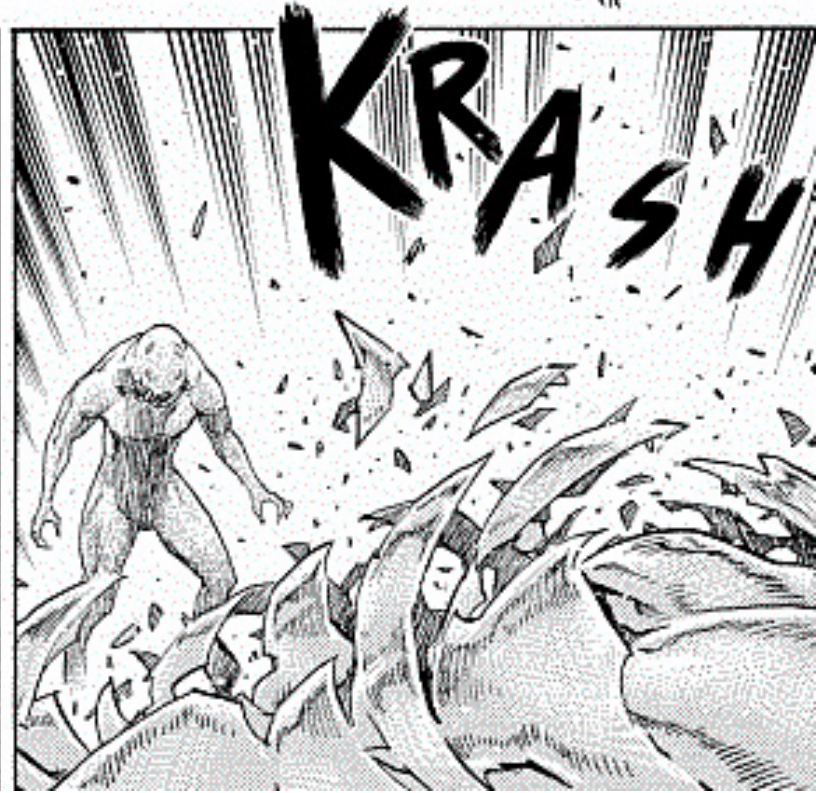
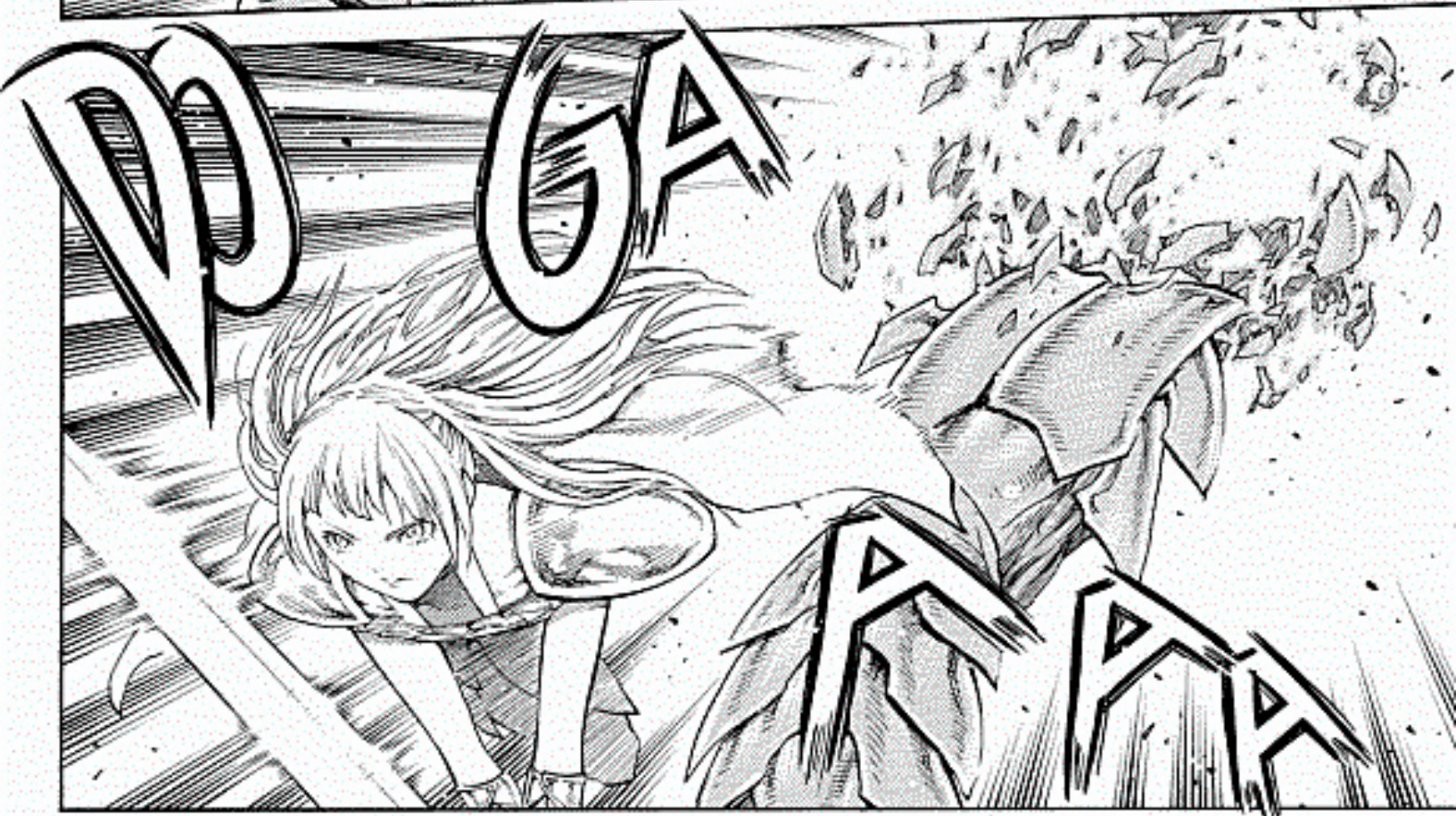
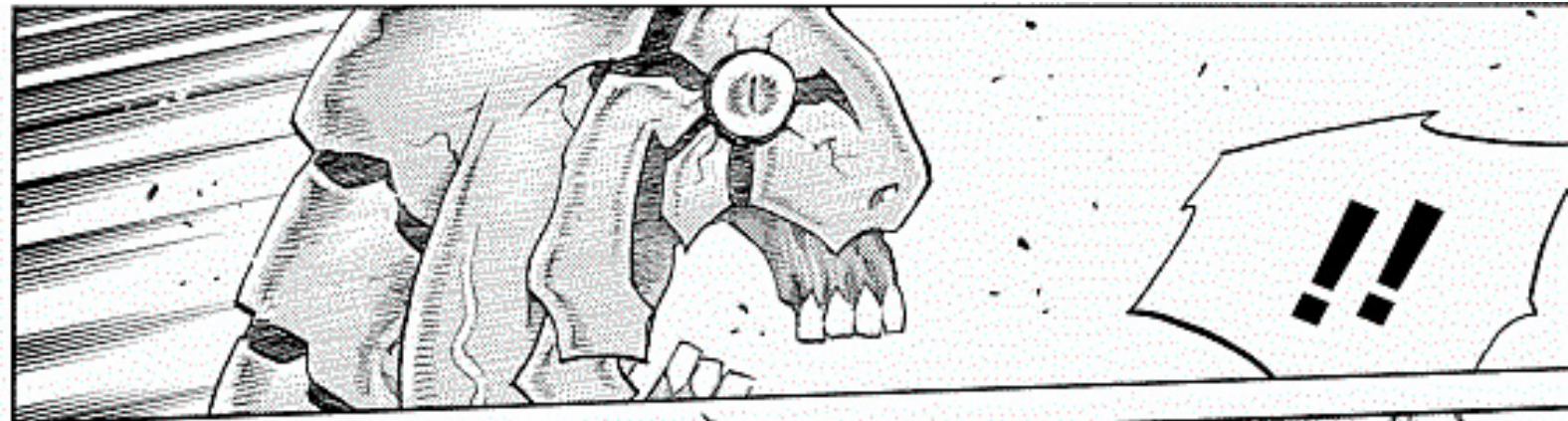
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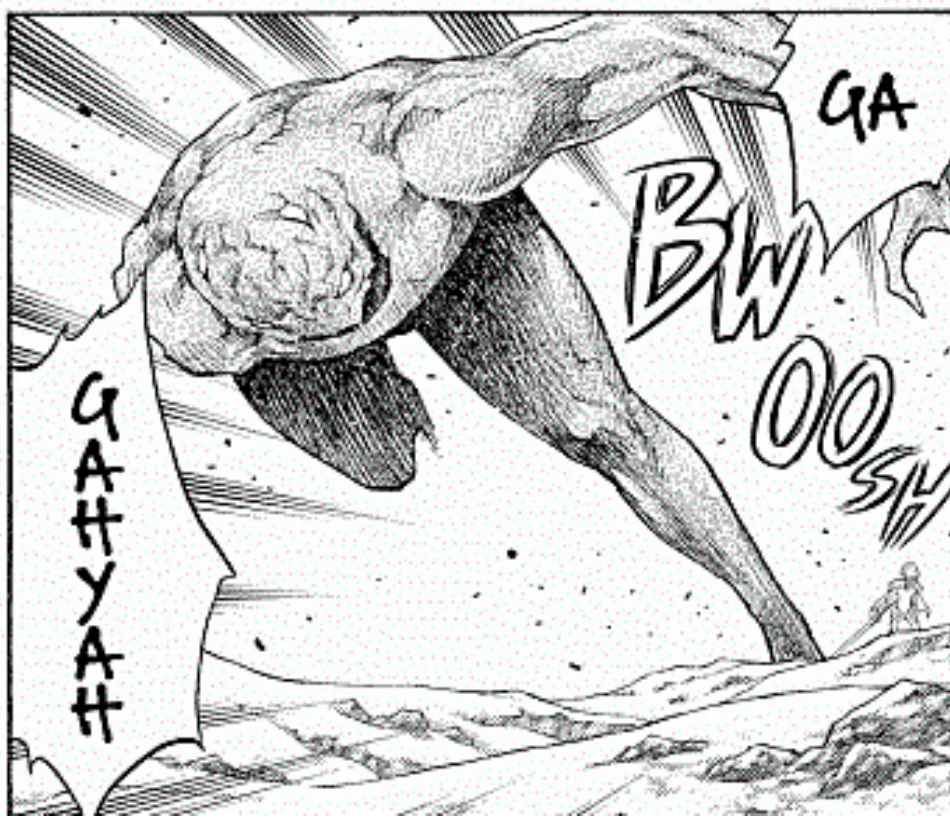
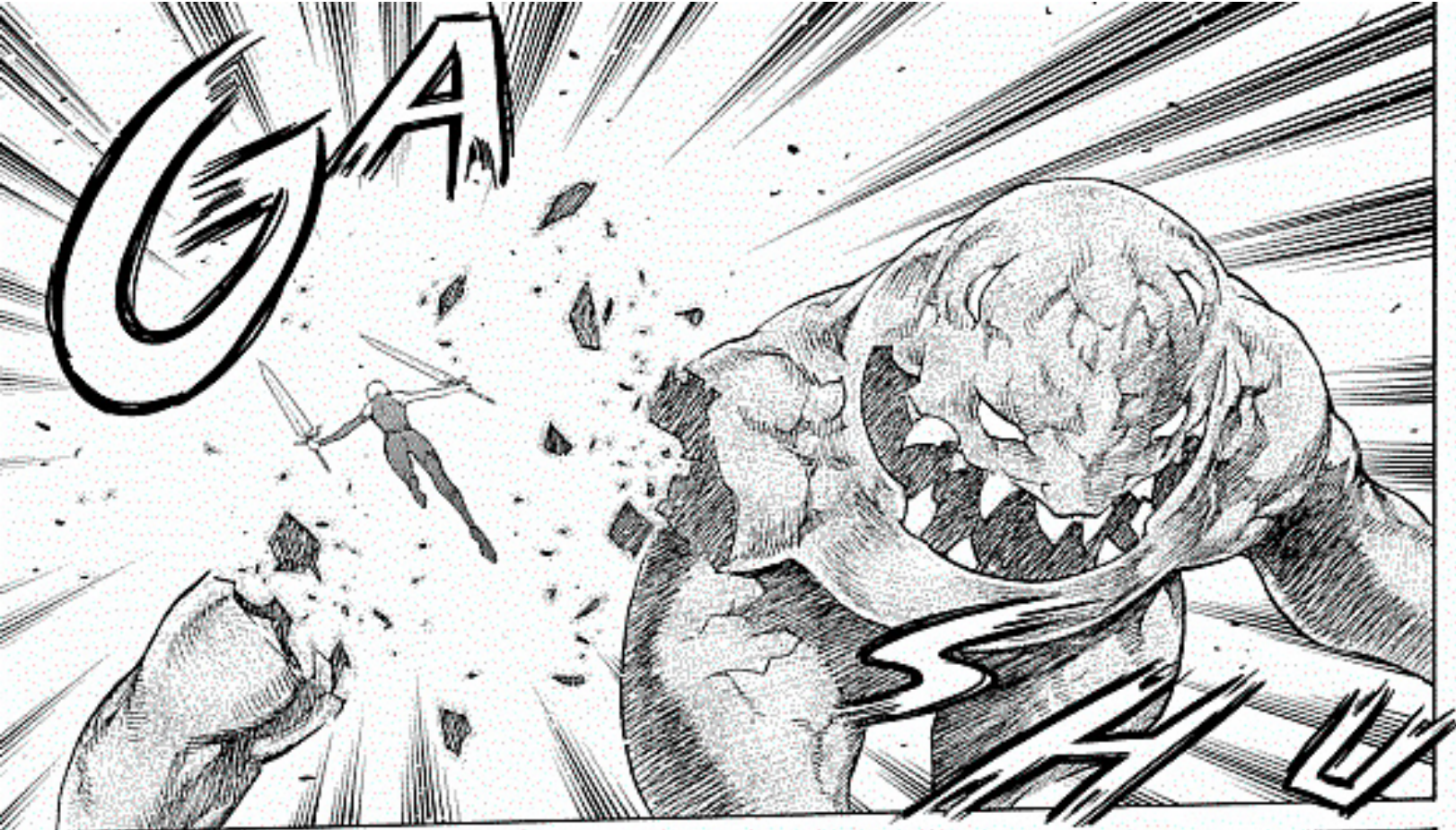
GA GA

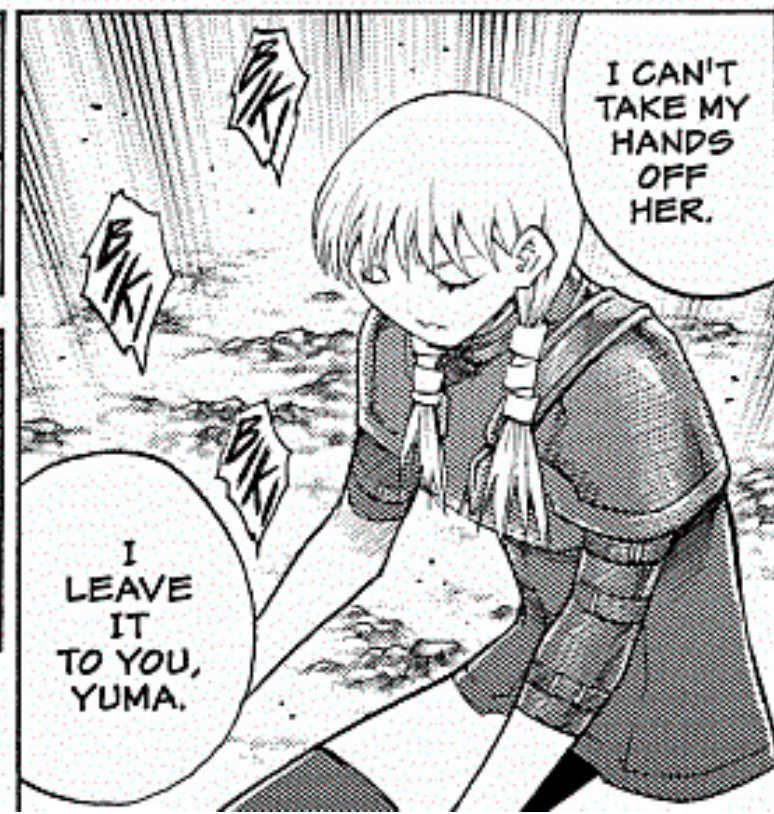
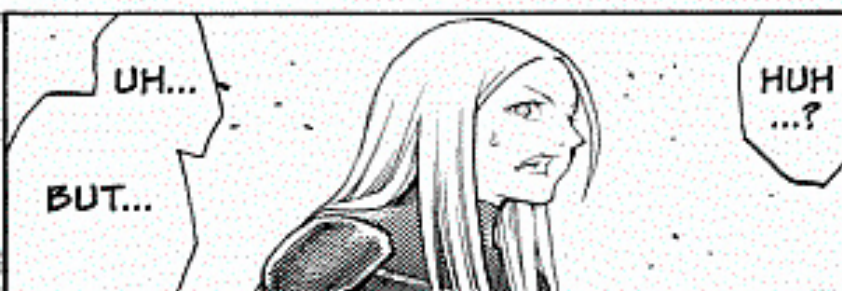
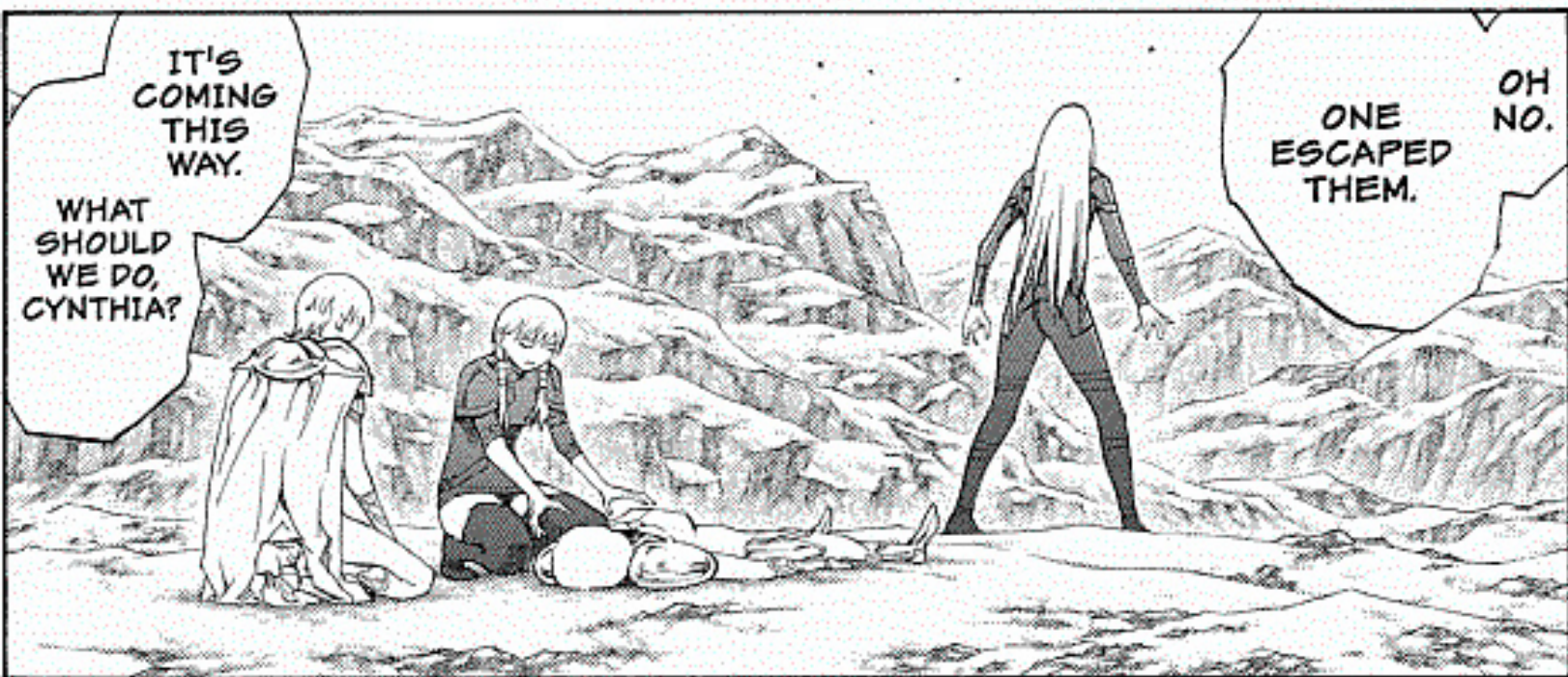
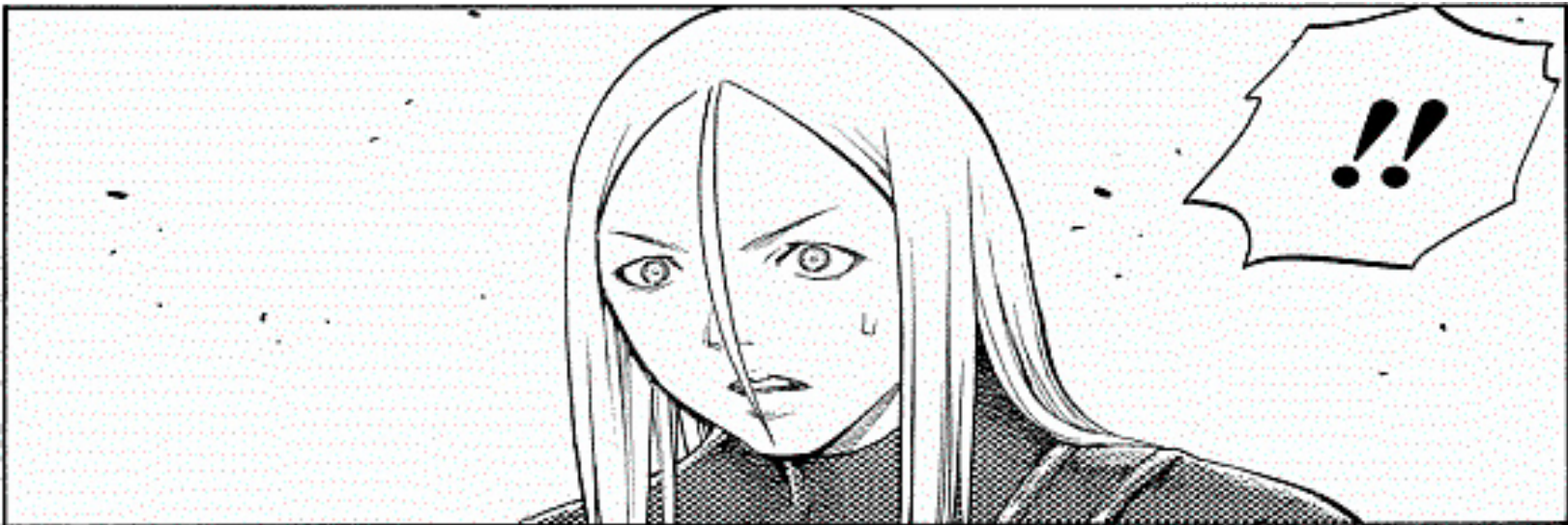
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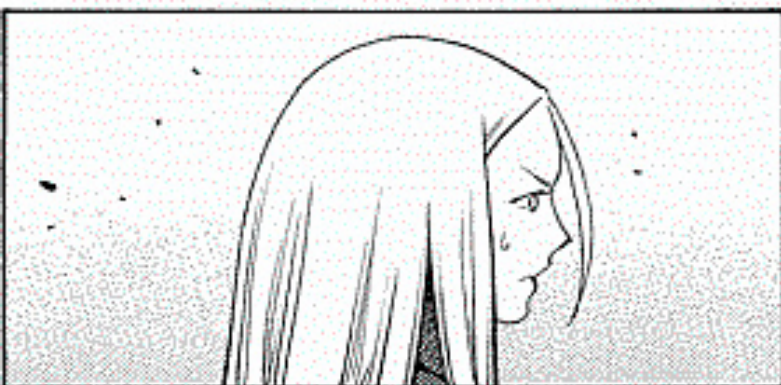
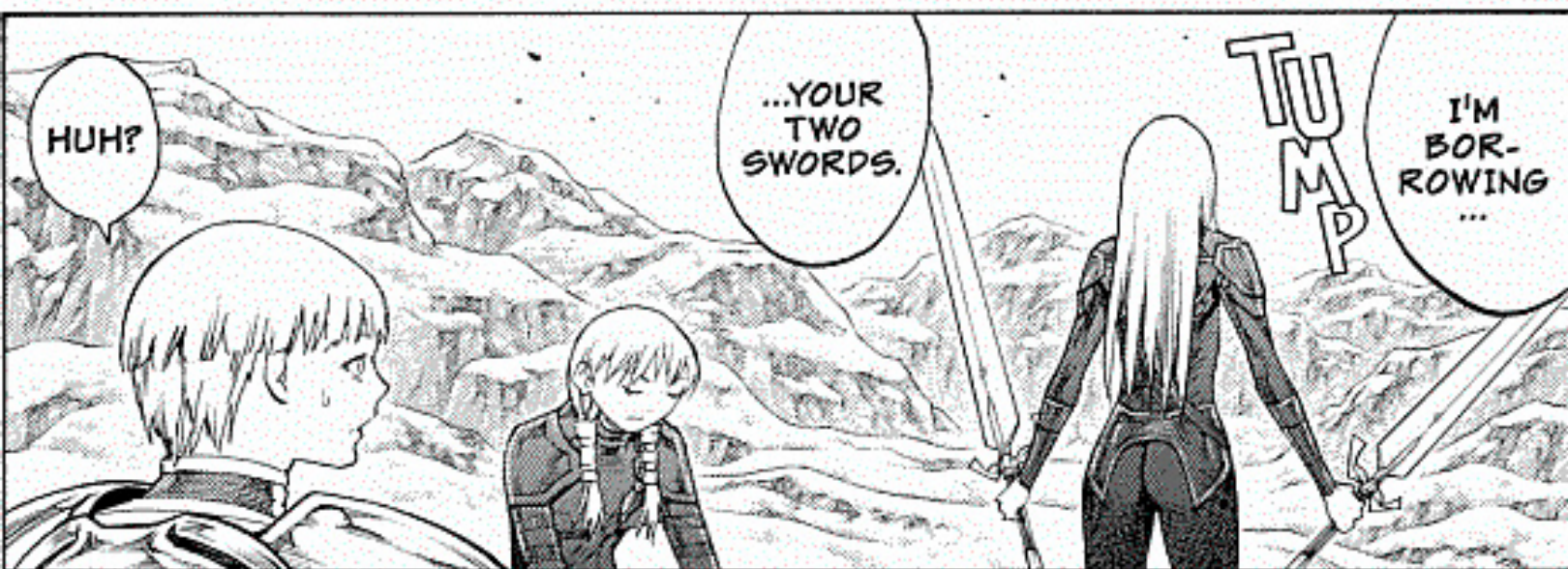
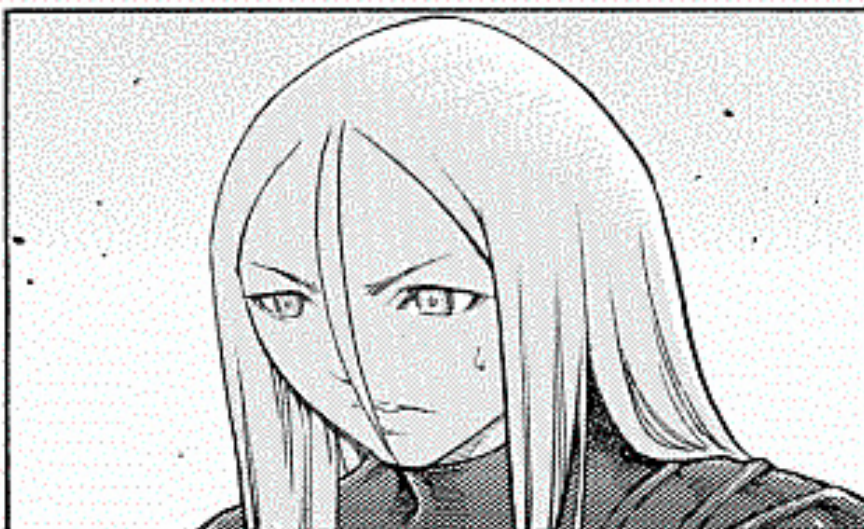
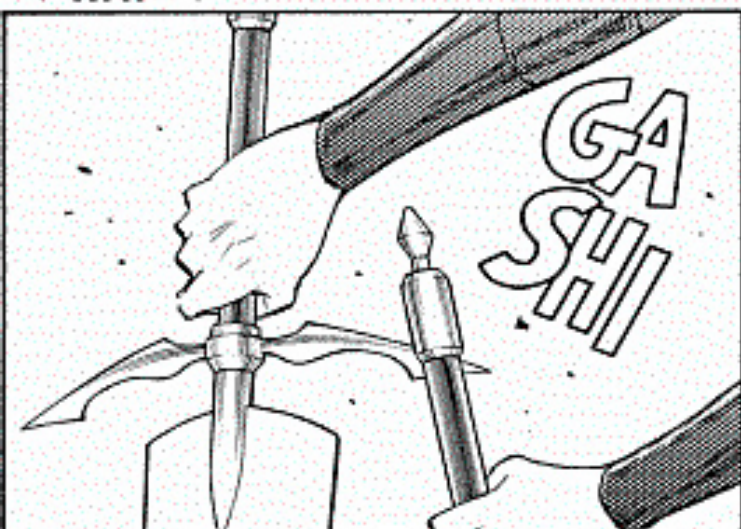
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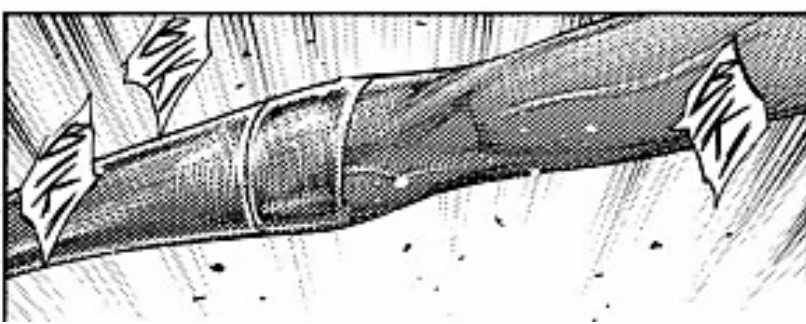




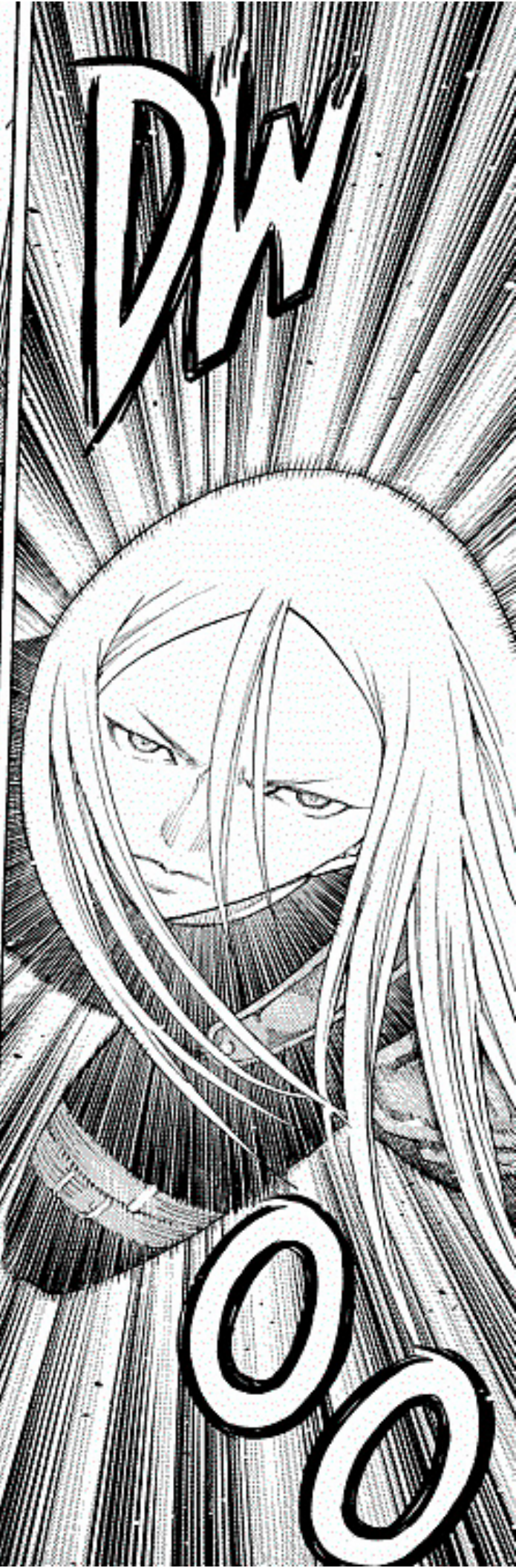
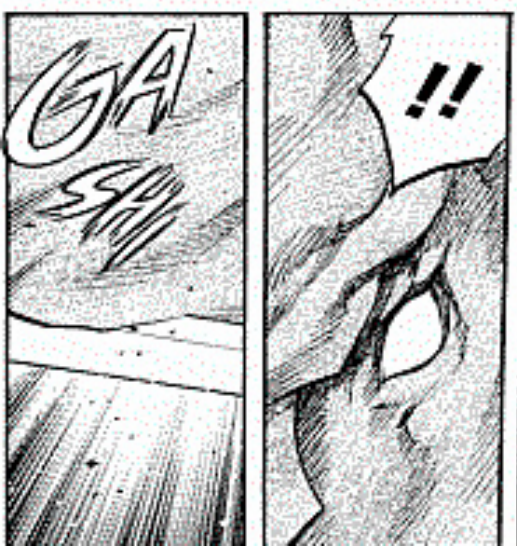
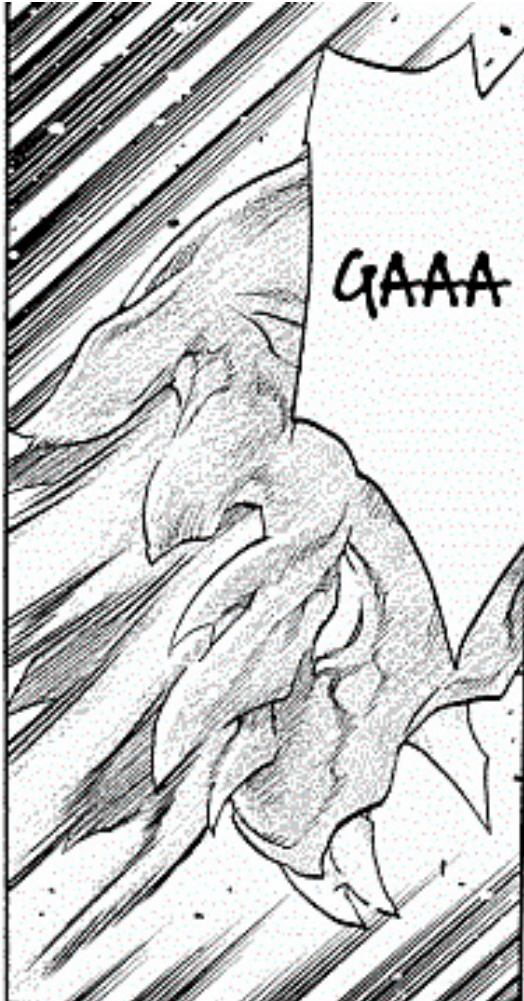


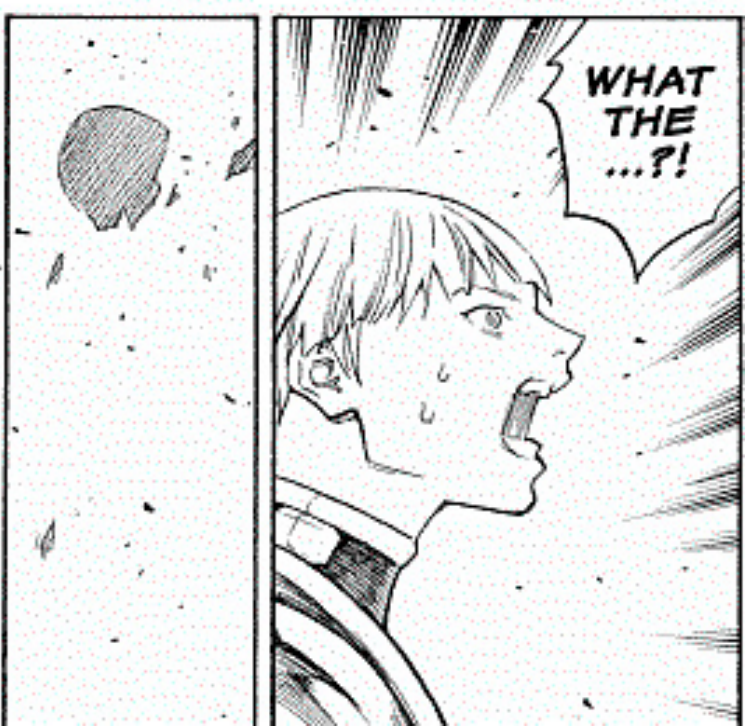
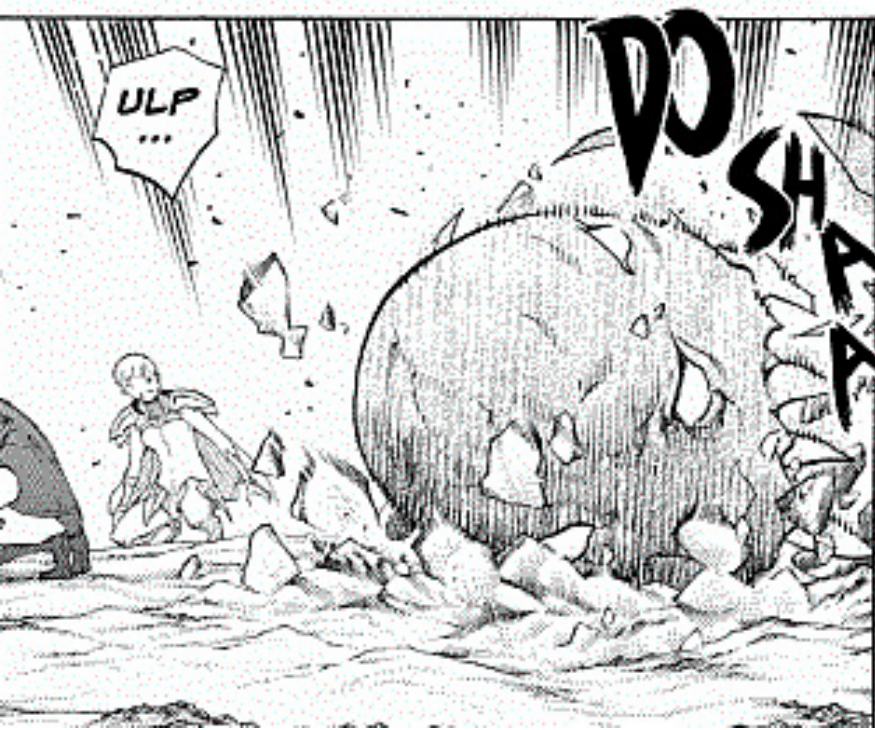
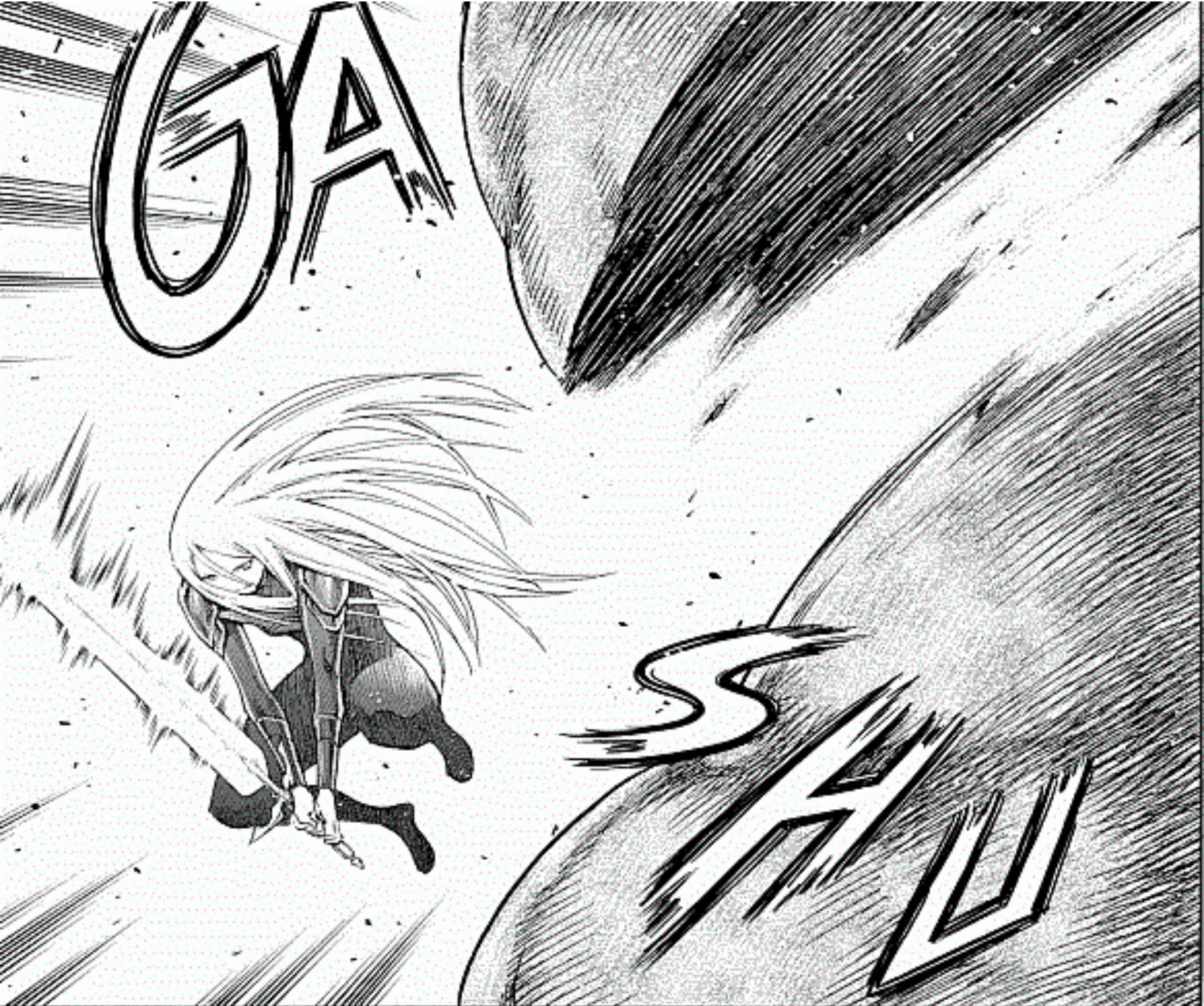


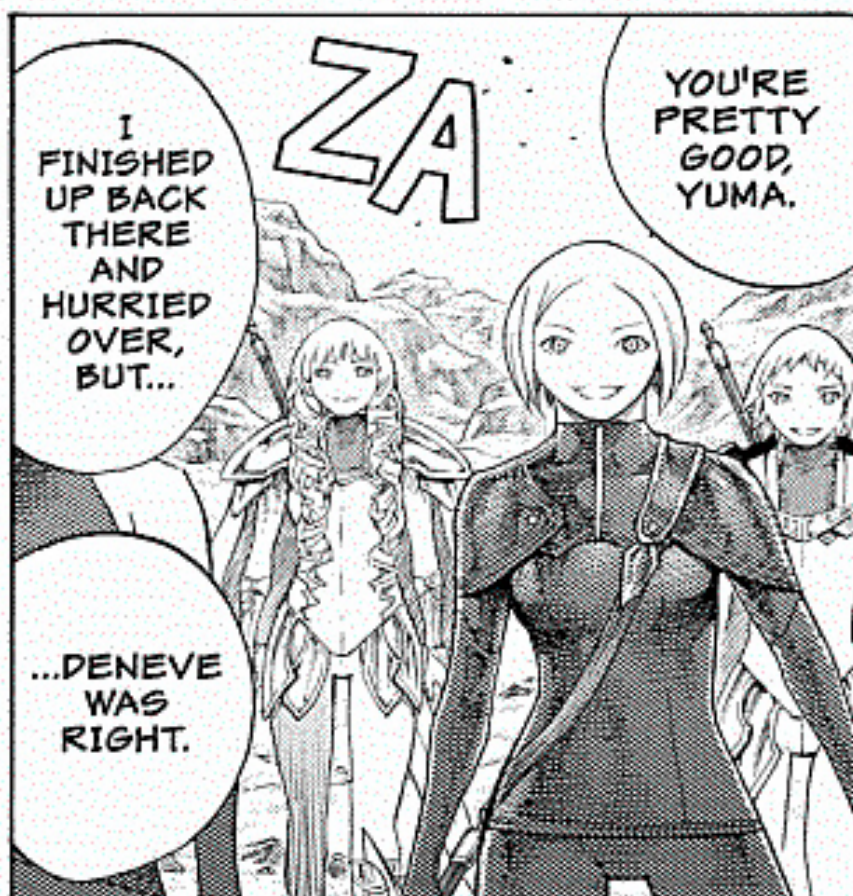
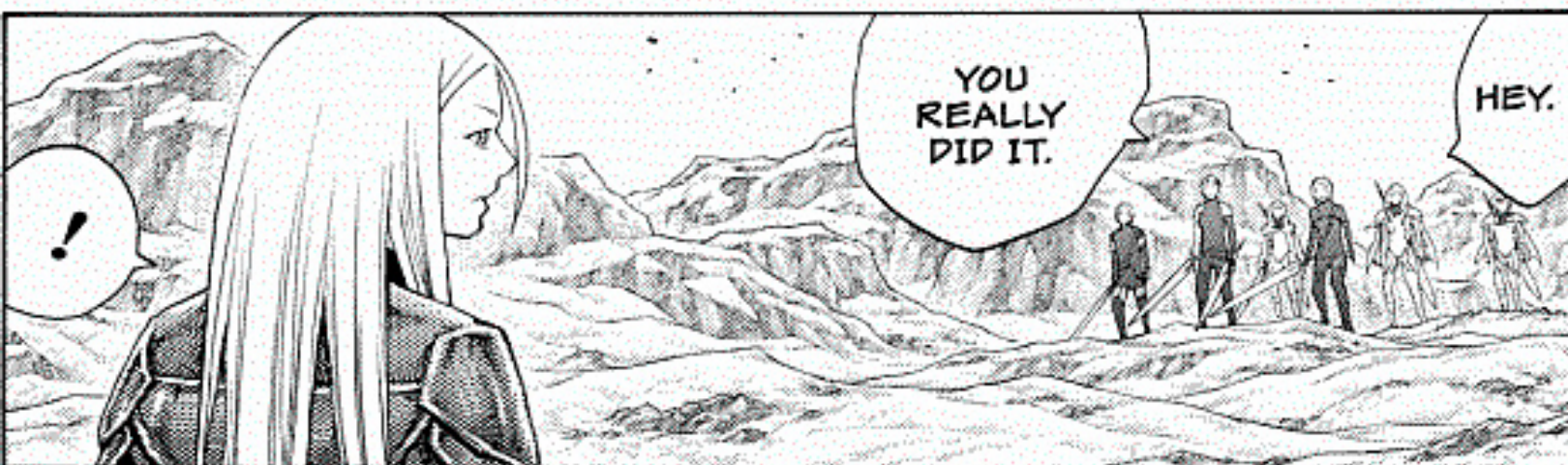
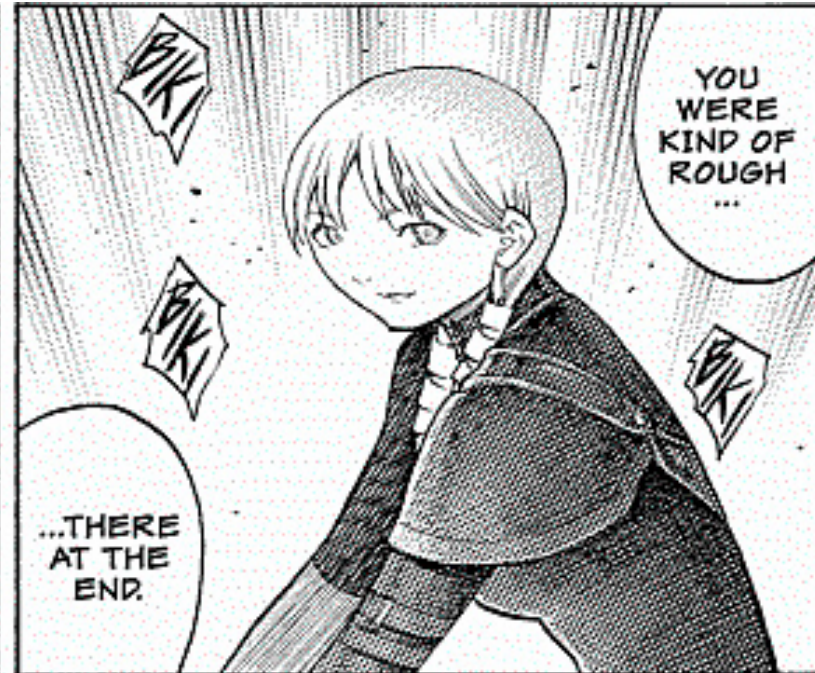
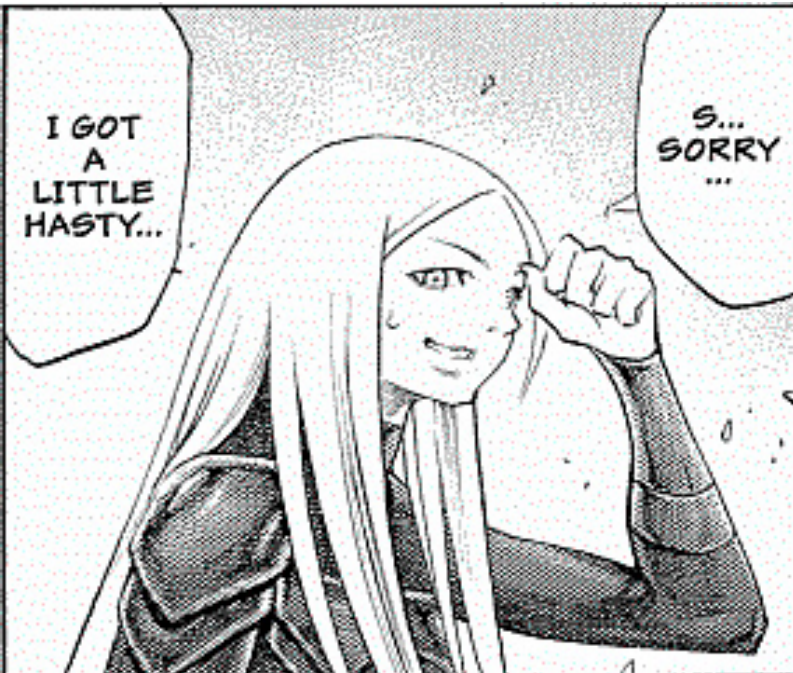


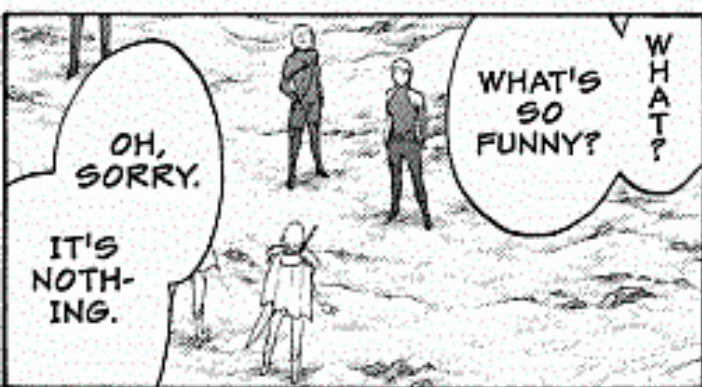
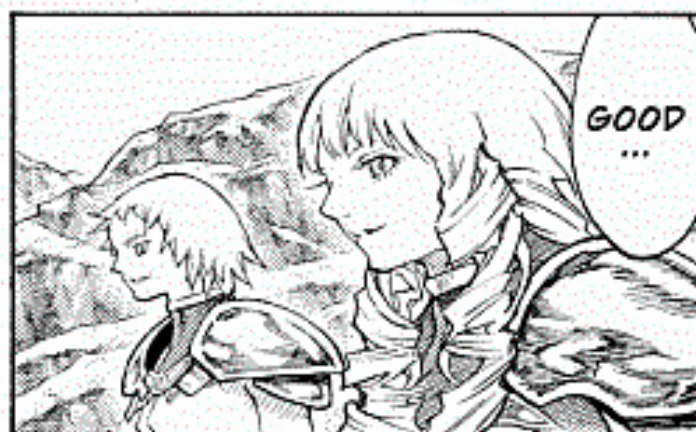
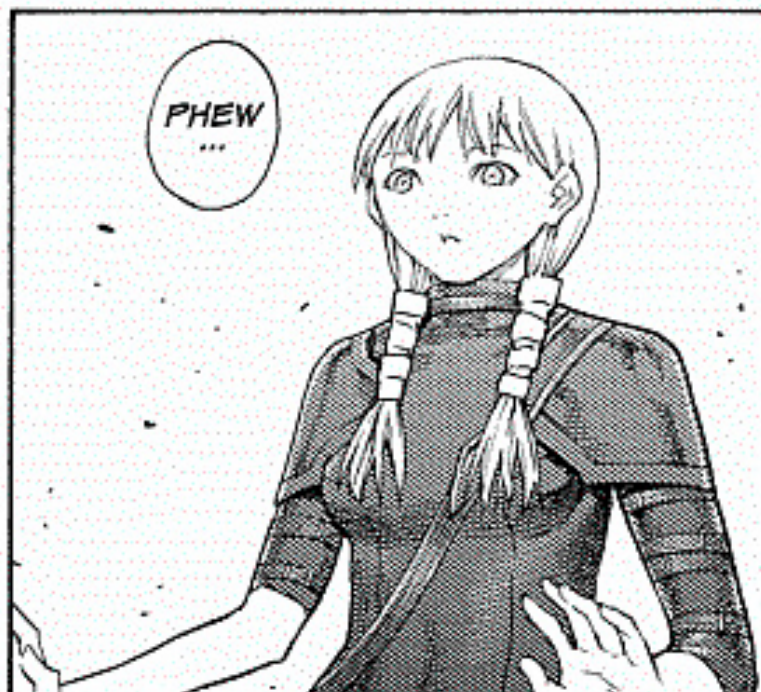
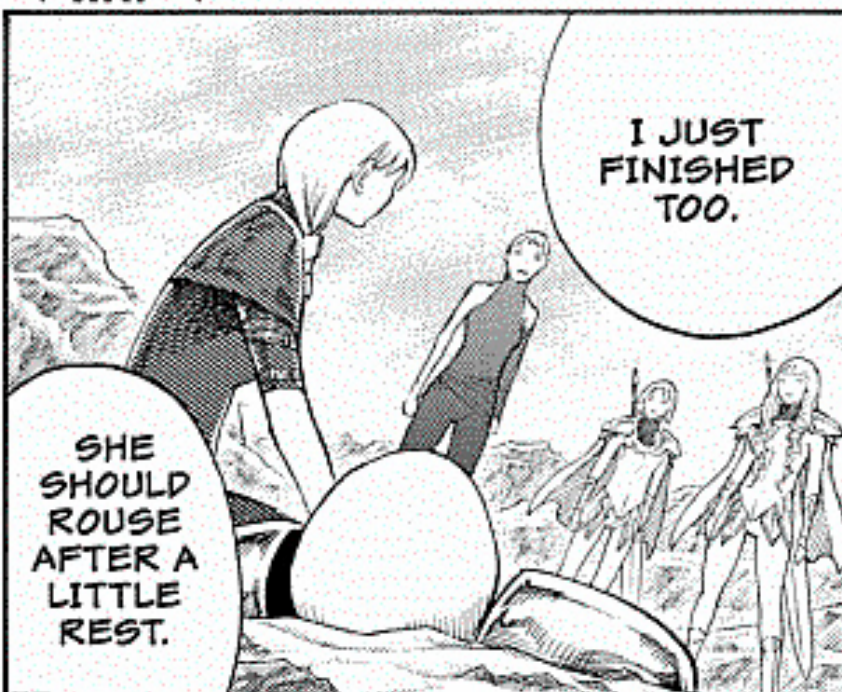














AND
THEY'RE
FRESH-
HALF-
HUMAN,
HALF-
DEMON.

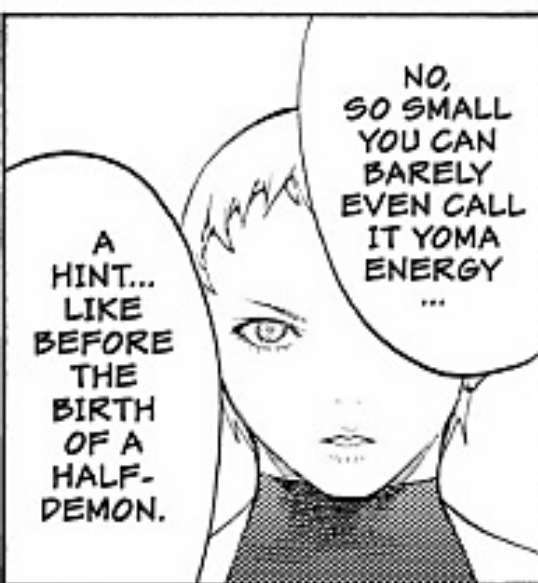
IT
SEEMED
LIKE THEY
HAD JUST
AWAKENED.



WHY
ARE
MALE...

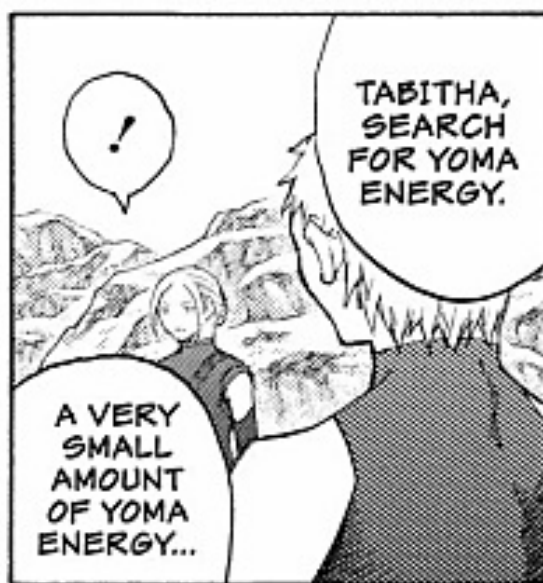
...AWAK-
ENED
BEINGS
IN A
PLACE
LIKE
THIS
...?

WHAT
ARE
THESE
THINGS
...?



NO,
SO SMALL
YOU CAN
BARELY
EVEN CALL
IT YOMA
ENERGY
...

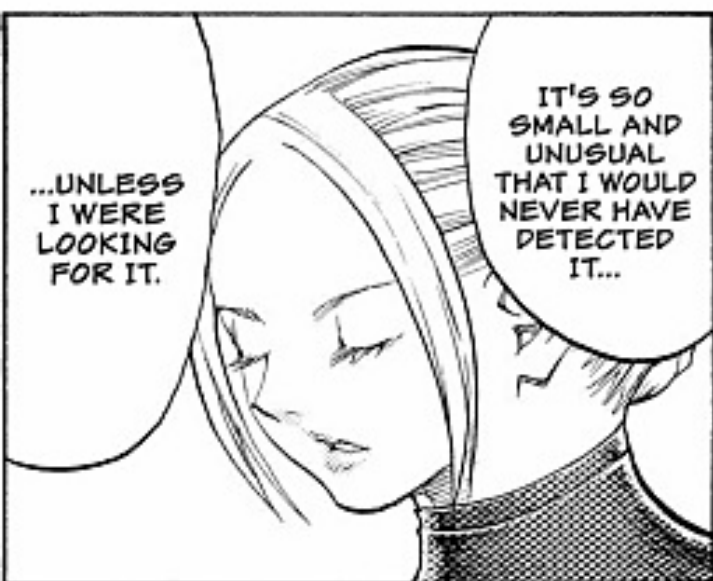
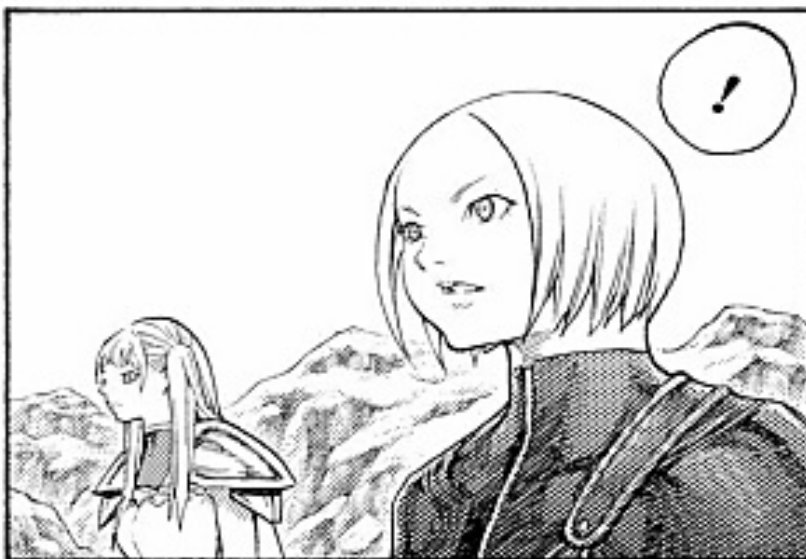
A
HINT...
LIKE
BEFORE
THE
BIRTH
OF A
HALF-
DEMON.



TABITHA,
SEARCH
FOR YOMA
ENERGY.

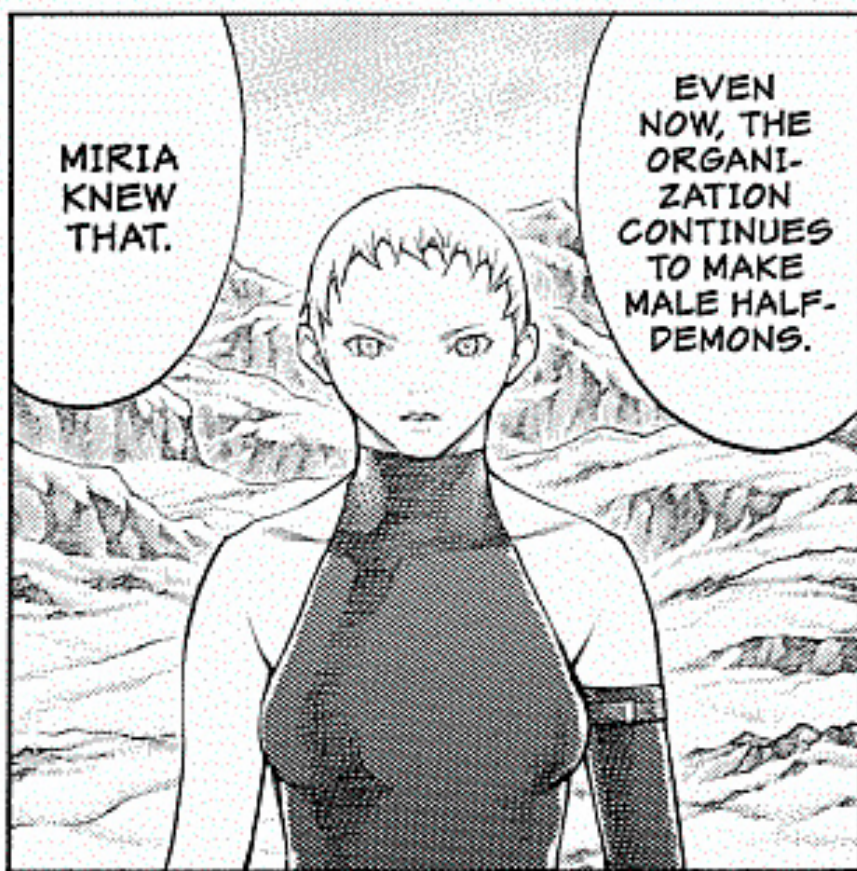
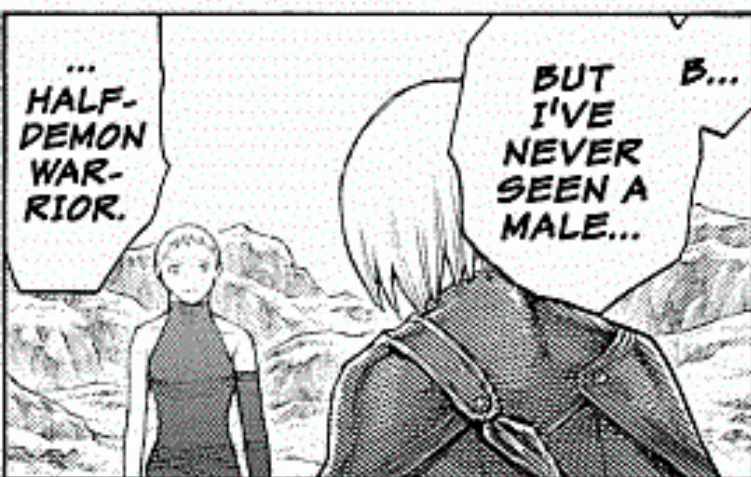
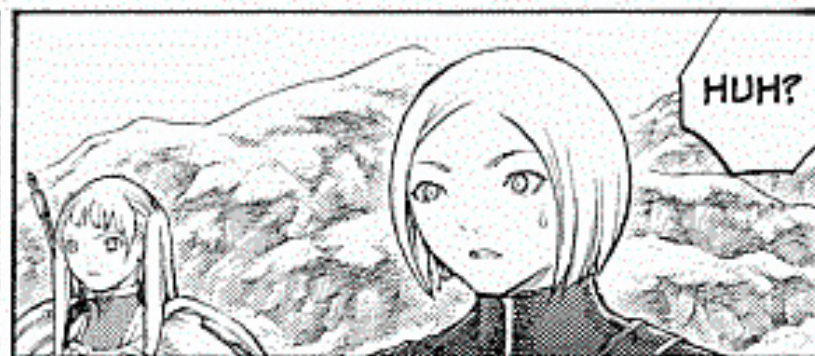
A VERY
SMALL
AMOUNT
OF YOMA
ENERGY...

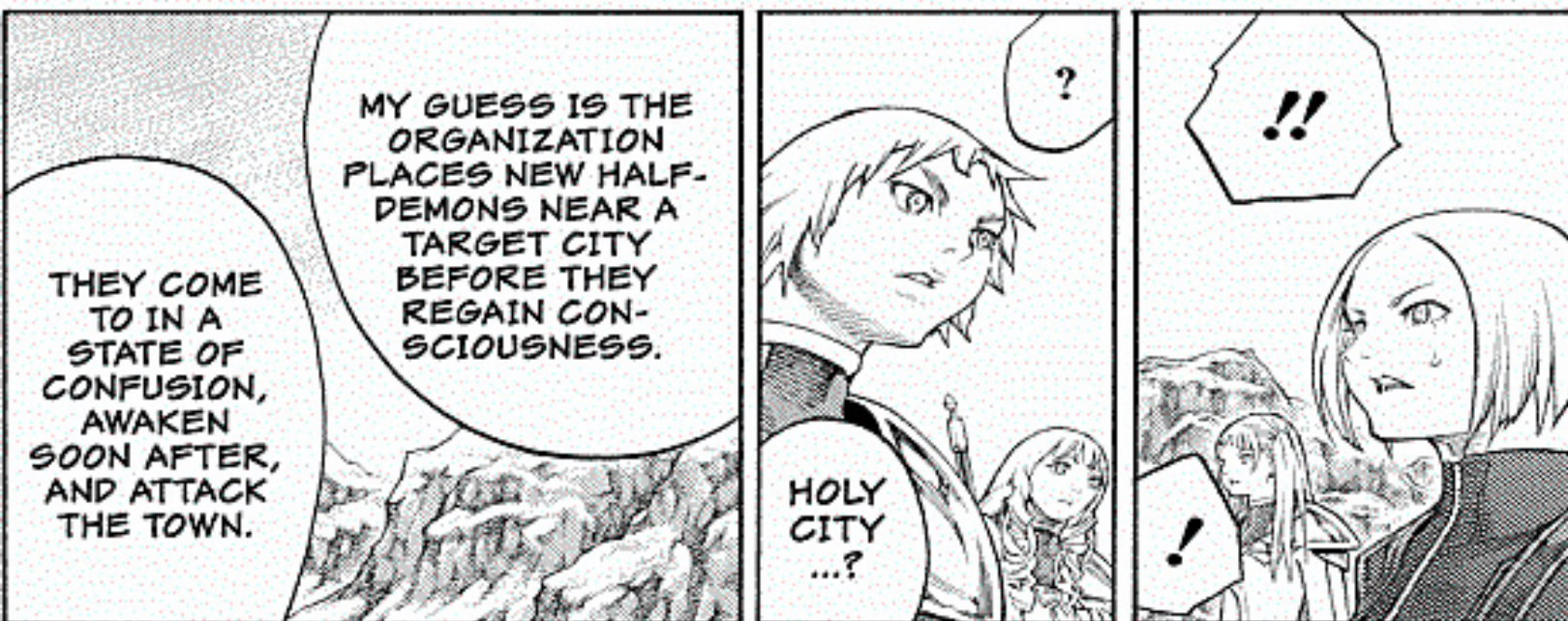
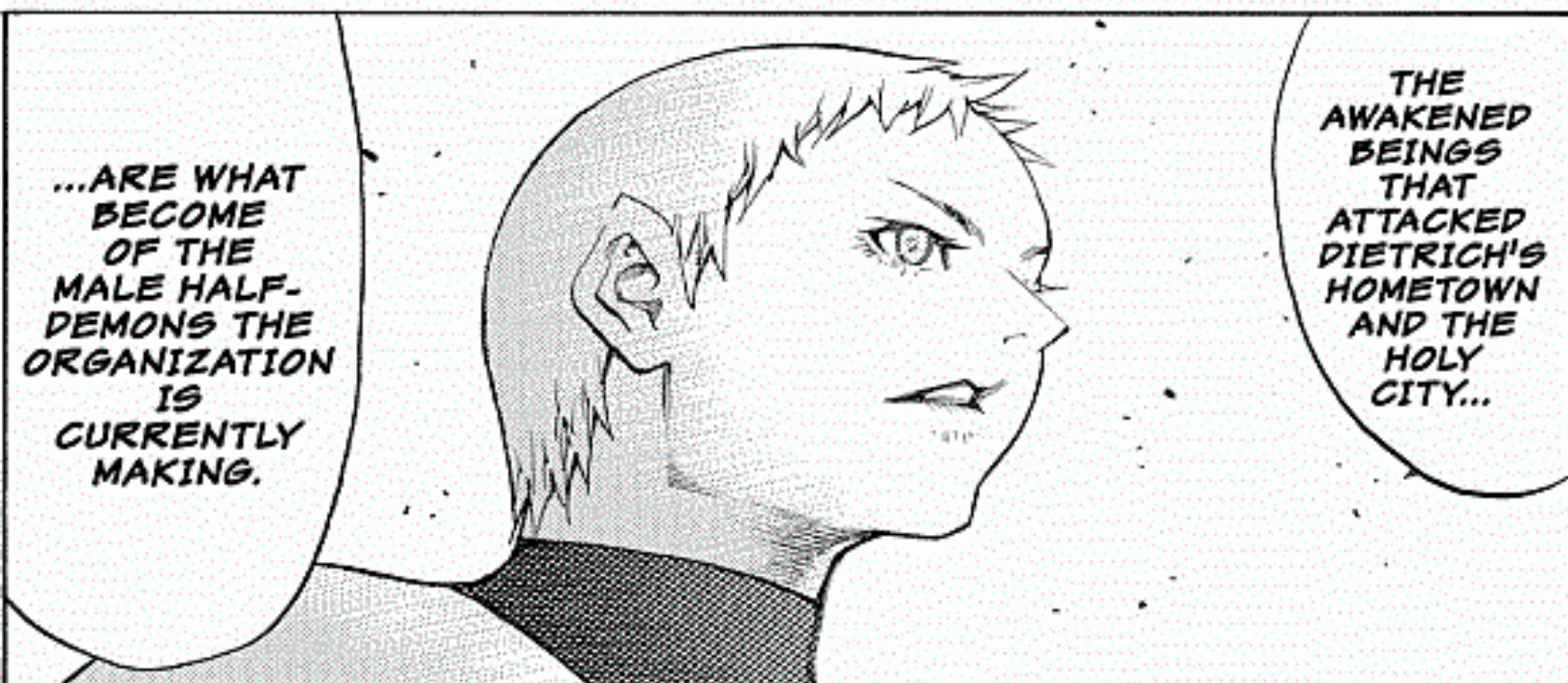
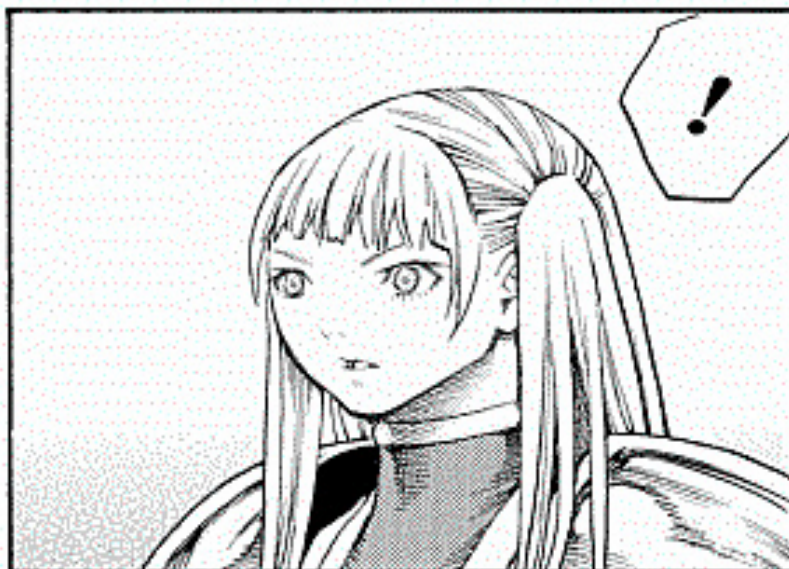
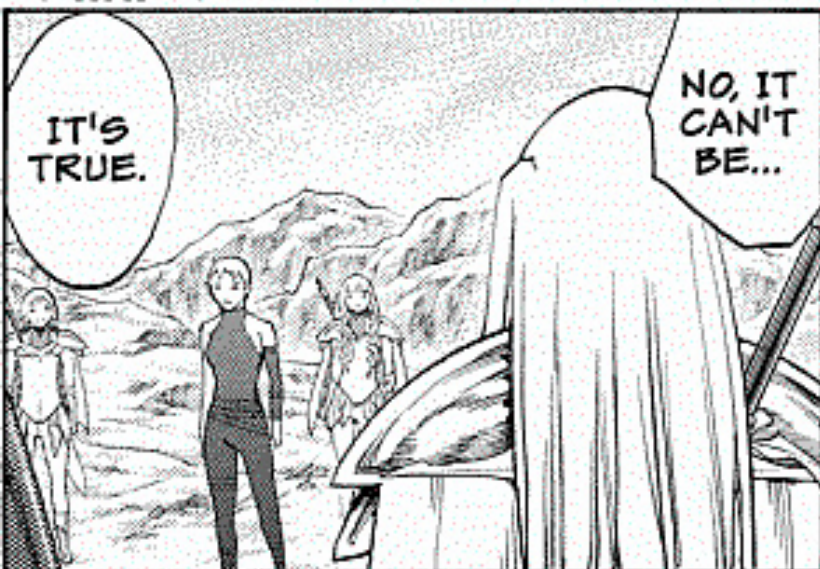




WHAT IF THE
AWAKENED BEING
MEANT MIRIA'S
BELIEF THAT
MALE HALF-
DEMONS WERE
CREATED AT
ONE TIME BUT
DON'T EXIST
ANYMORE?

THAT AWAKENED
BEING SAID
THERE WAS ONE BIG
ERROR IN WHAT
MIRIA SAID,
AND MIRIA SHOULD
KNOW WHAT
IT WAS.





HOW
COULD
THEY?

WHAT
...

AFTER THEY
SPREAD IN
VARIOUS
DIRECTIONS,
IF A
REQUEST
COMES IN
TO SUBDU
THEM...

...THE
ORGANI-
ZATION
COLLECTS
MONEY.

ONCE
THEY RUN
RAMPANT
IN A TOWN,
THEY'RE
NO LONGER
NEEDED.

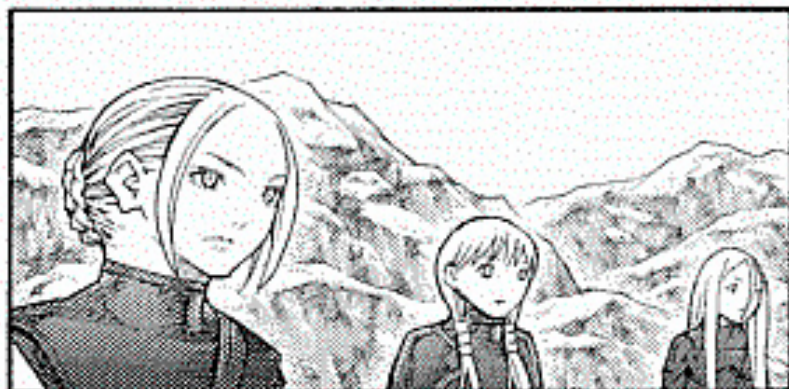
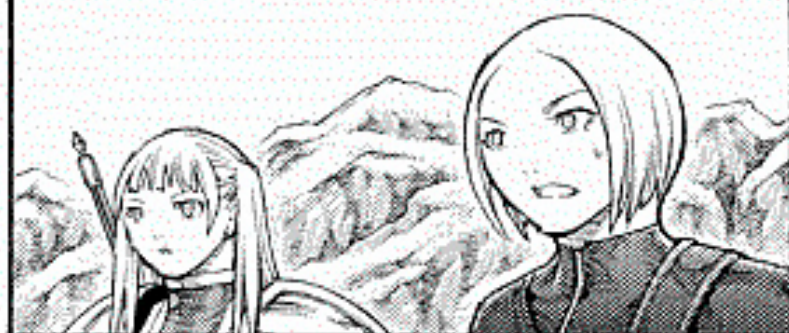
THAT'S...

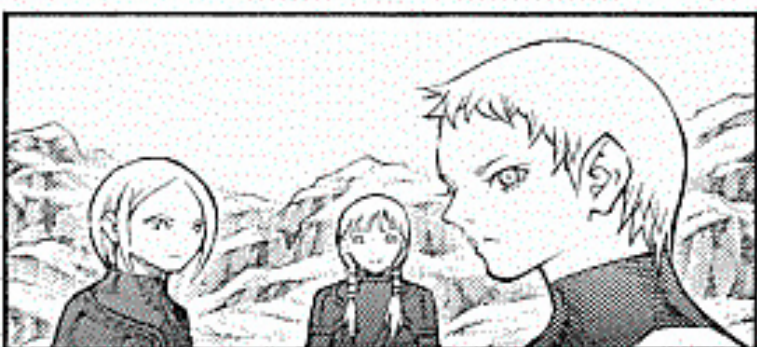
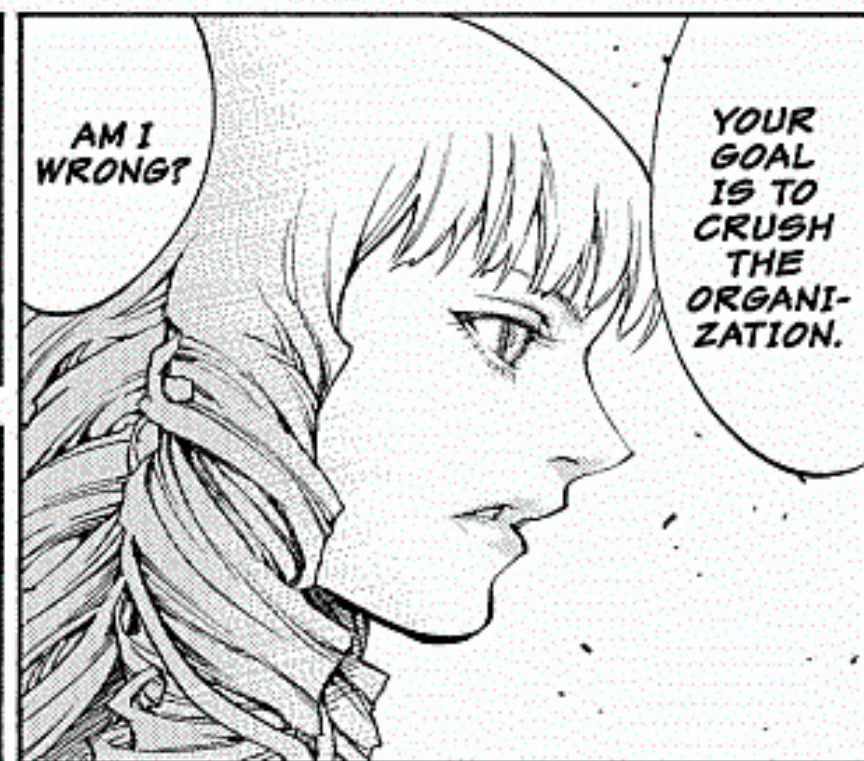
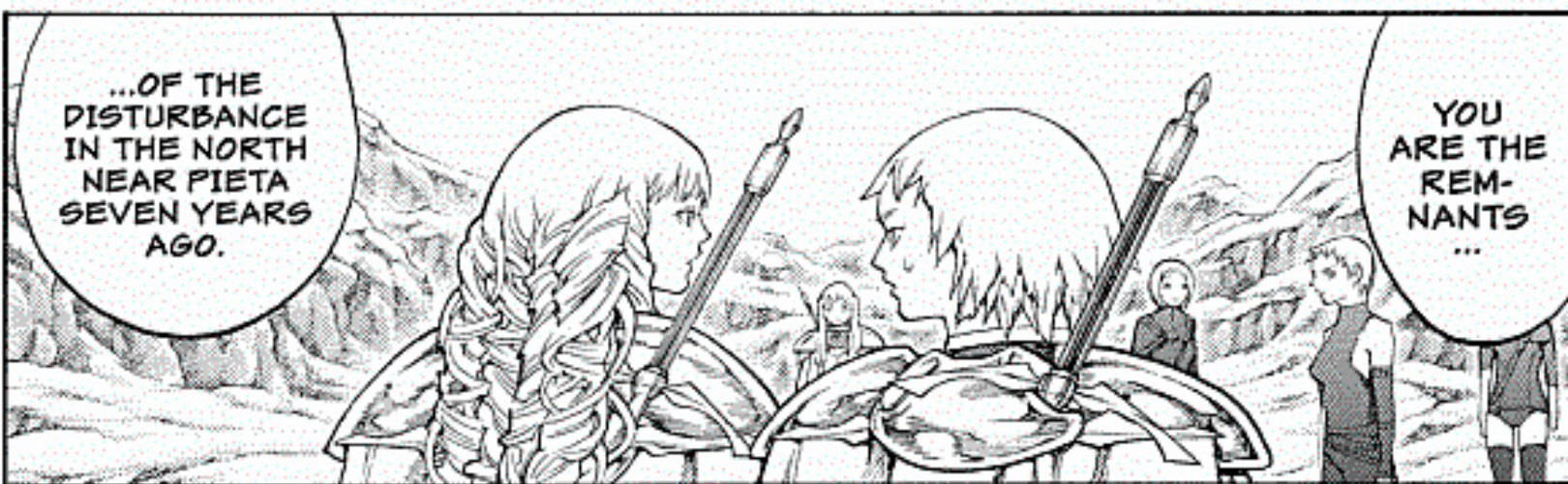
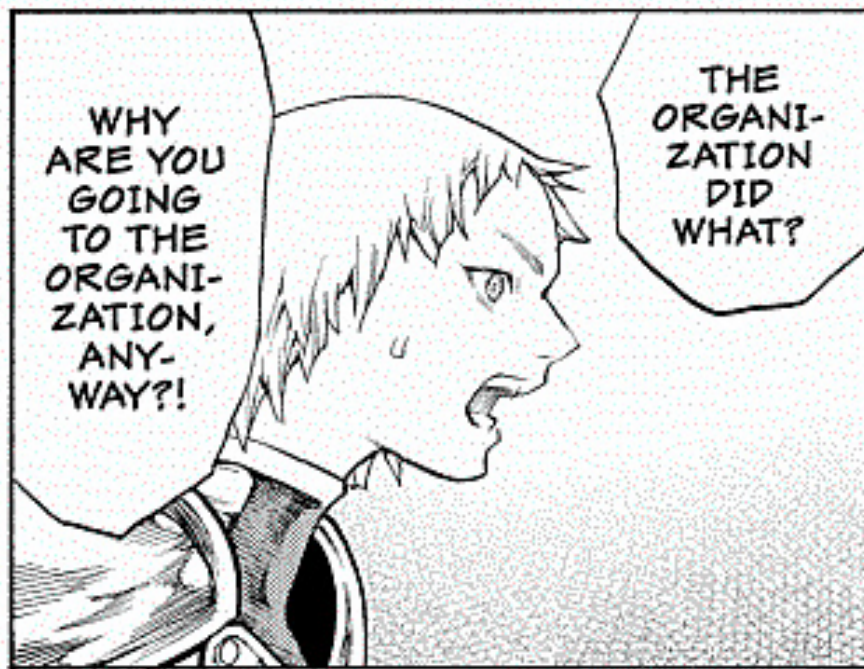
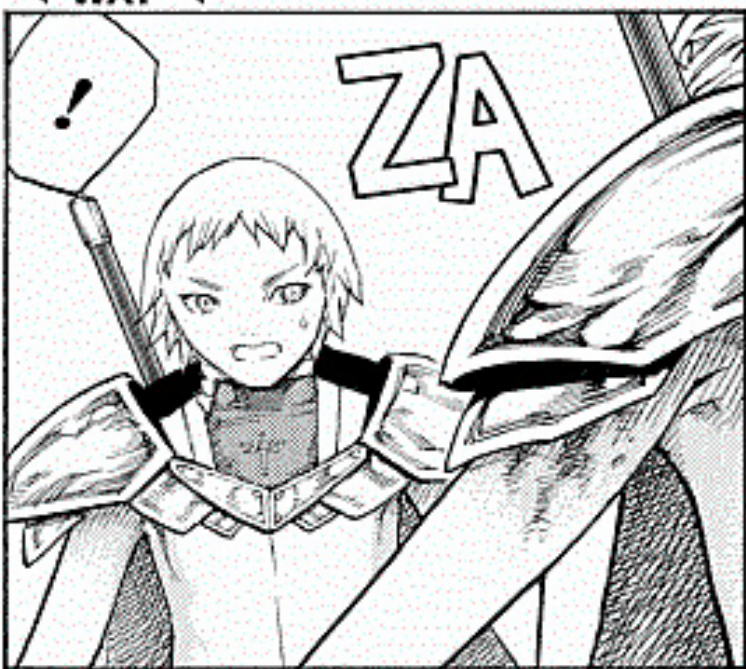
THOSE WERE
PROBABLY
PEOPLE WHO
WERE ABLE
TO ESCAPE
SOMEHOW.

THE PLACE
WHERE THEY'RE
MAKING THOSE
MALE HALF-
DEMONS MAY
BE AROUND
HERE.

I DON'T
UNDER-
STAND
WHAT
YOU'RE
SAYING.

...HOLD
ON A
SECOND. N...
NOW ...



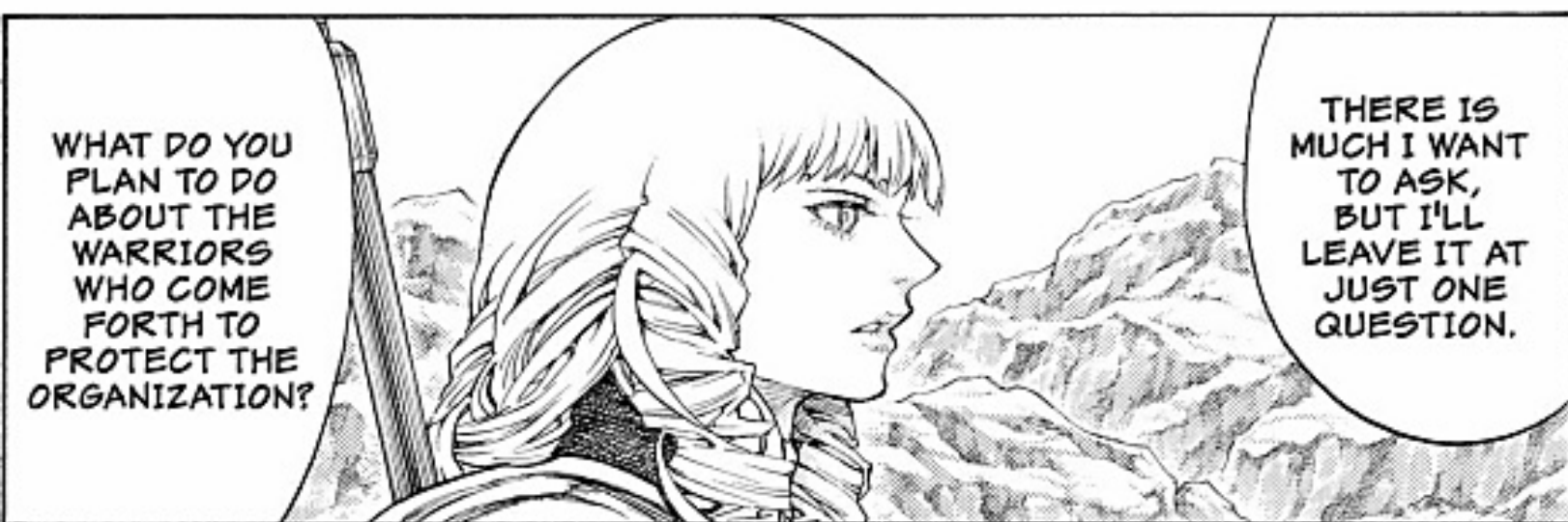




TO BE
HONEST,
WHEN
I SAW
THAT...

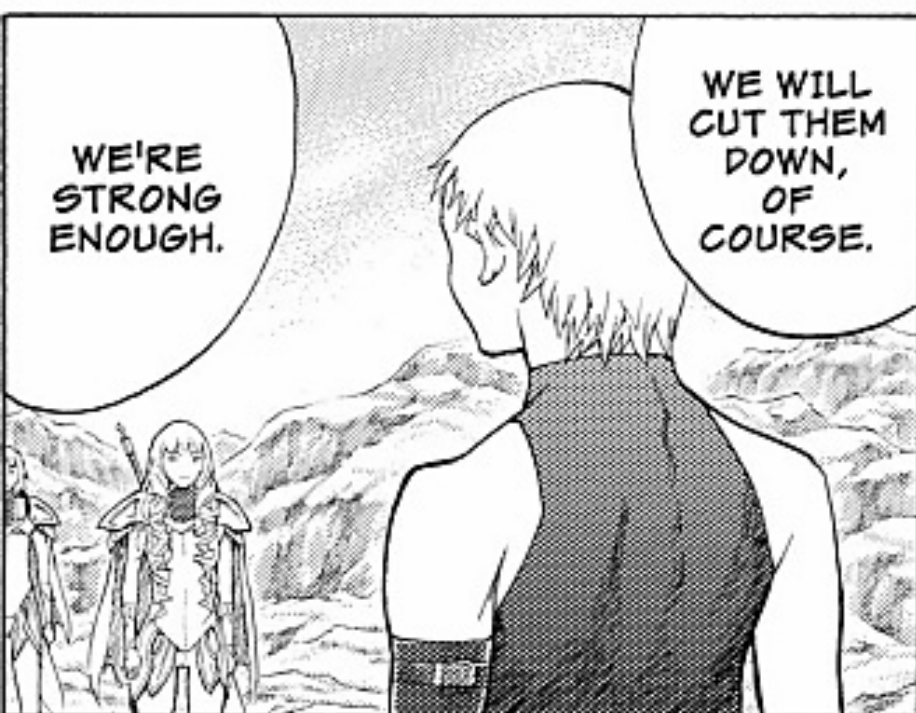
...I
BECAME
ANGRY AT
WHAT THE
ORGANIZATION
HAD DONE TO
WARRIORS.

I SAW THE
DEVASTATION
AT PIETA
WITH MY
OWN EYES.



WHAT DO YOU
PLAN TO DO
ABOUT THE
WARRIORS
WHO COME
FORTH TO
PROTECT THE
ORGANIZATION?

THERE IS
MUCH I WANT
TO ASK,
BUT I'LL
LEAVE IT AT
JUST ONE
QUESTION.



WE'RE
STRONG
ENOUGH.

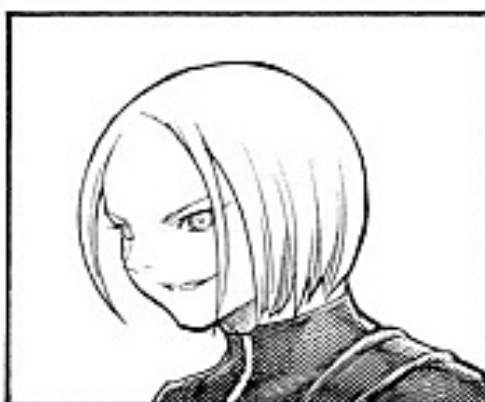
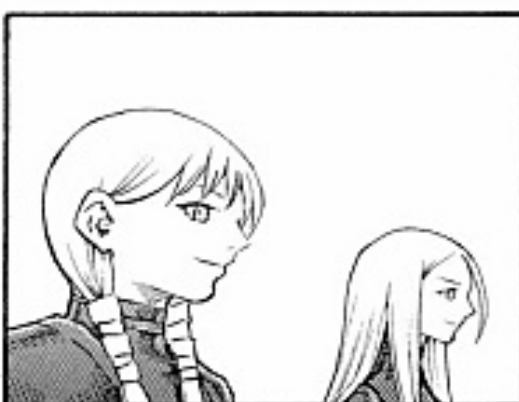
WE WILL
CUT THEM
DOWN,
OF
COURSE.



THAT
IS THE
WAY OF
MIRIA...

...OUR
CAPTAIN.

BUT WE
WILL NOT
TAKE
WARRIORS'
LIVES.



...THAT
TIGHT-
ASS
DIETRICH
STICKS
WITH
YOU.

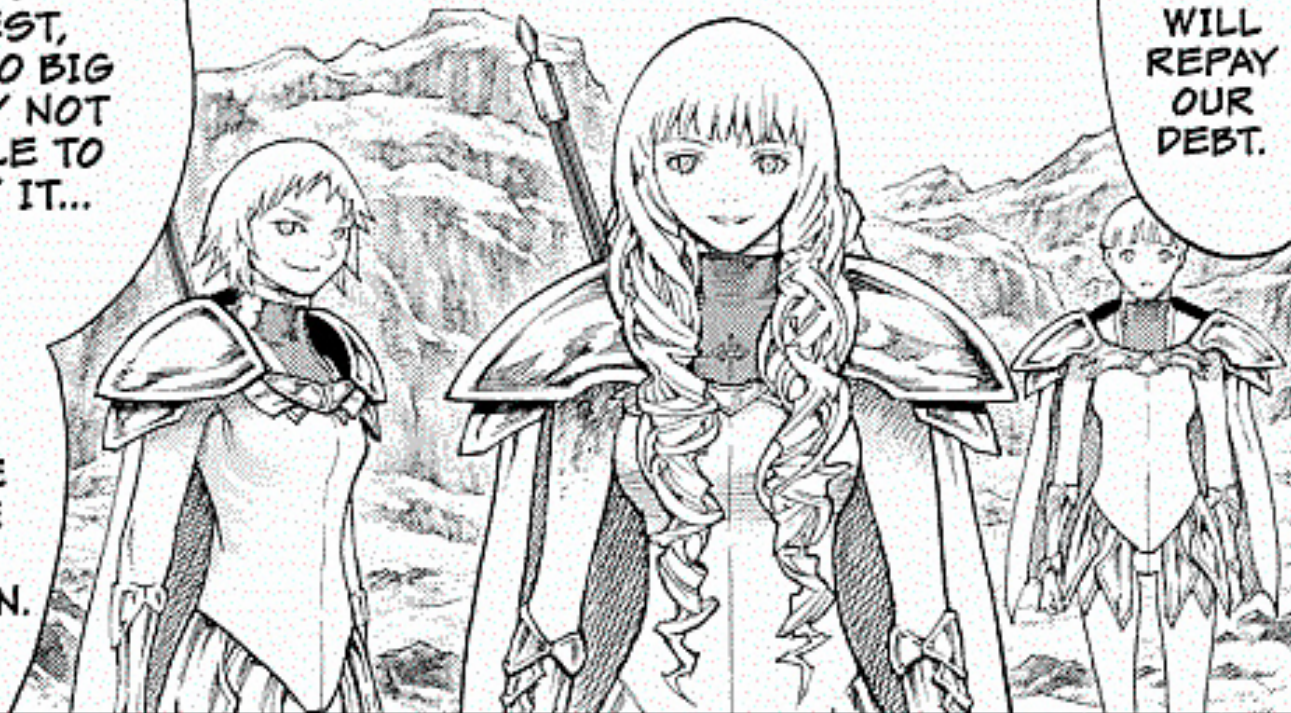
NOW I
THINK
I KNOW
WHY...

I
SEE...

TO BE
HONEST,
IT IS SO BIG
WE MAY NOT
BE ABLE TO
REPAY IT...

WE
WILL
REPAY
OUR
DEBT.

...BUT
FOR NOW,
WE WILL
DO WHAT WE
CAN ON THE
WAY TO THE
ORGANIZATION.

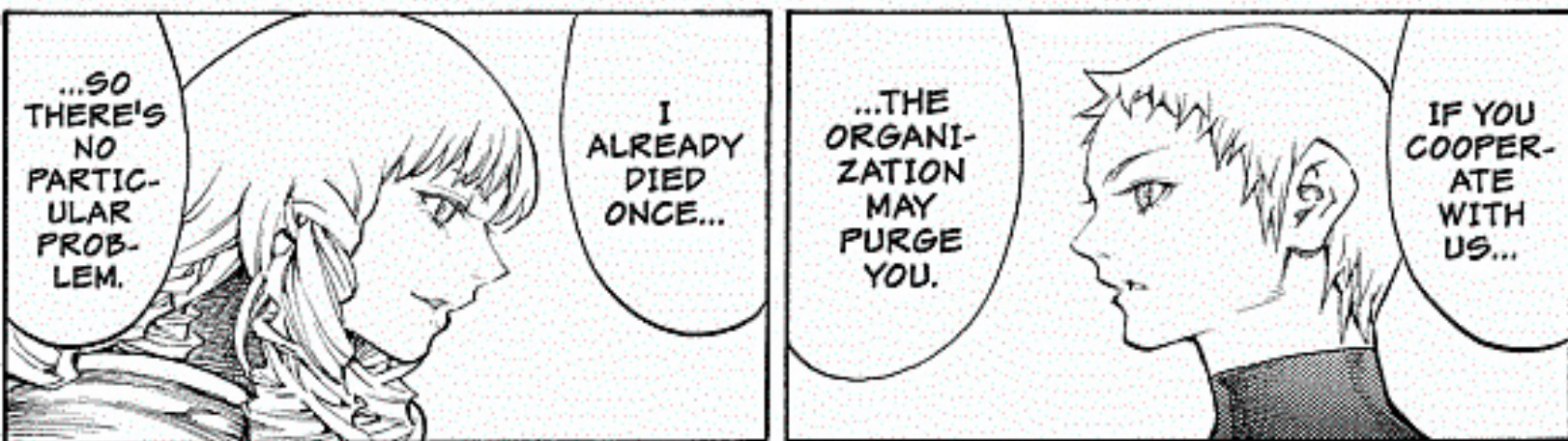


...SO
THERE'S
NO
PARTIC-
ULAR
PROB-
LEM.

I
ALREADY
DIED
ONCE...

...THE
ORGANI-
ZATION
MAY
PURGE
YOU.

IF YOU
COOPER-
ATE
WITH
US...

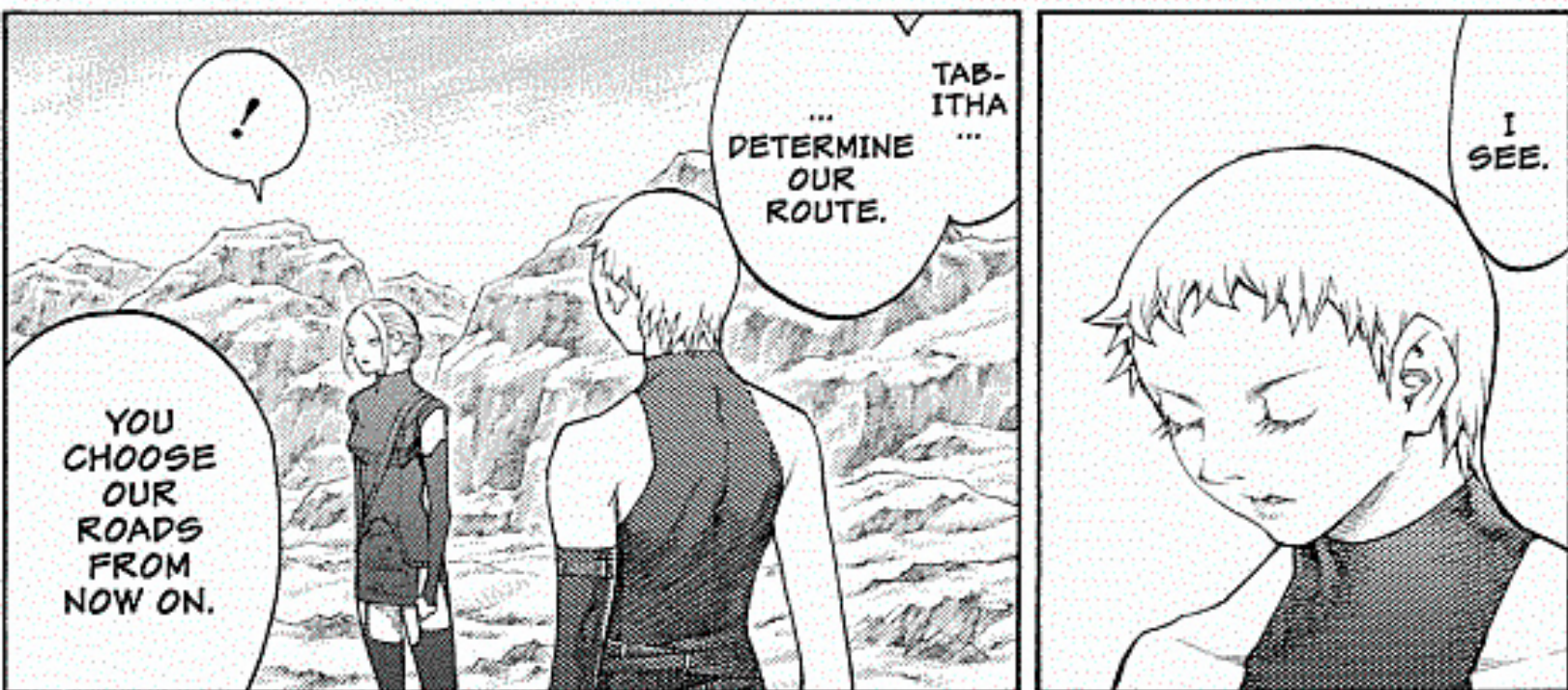


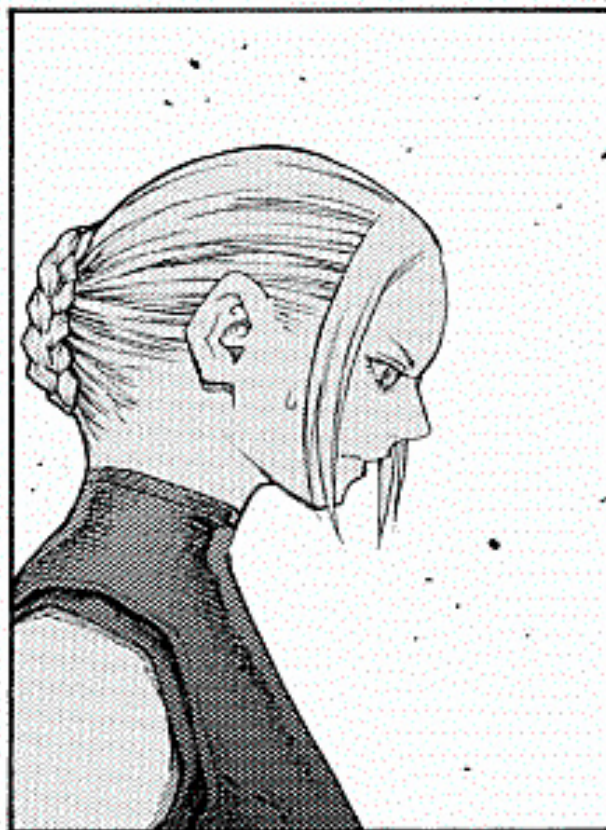
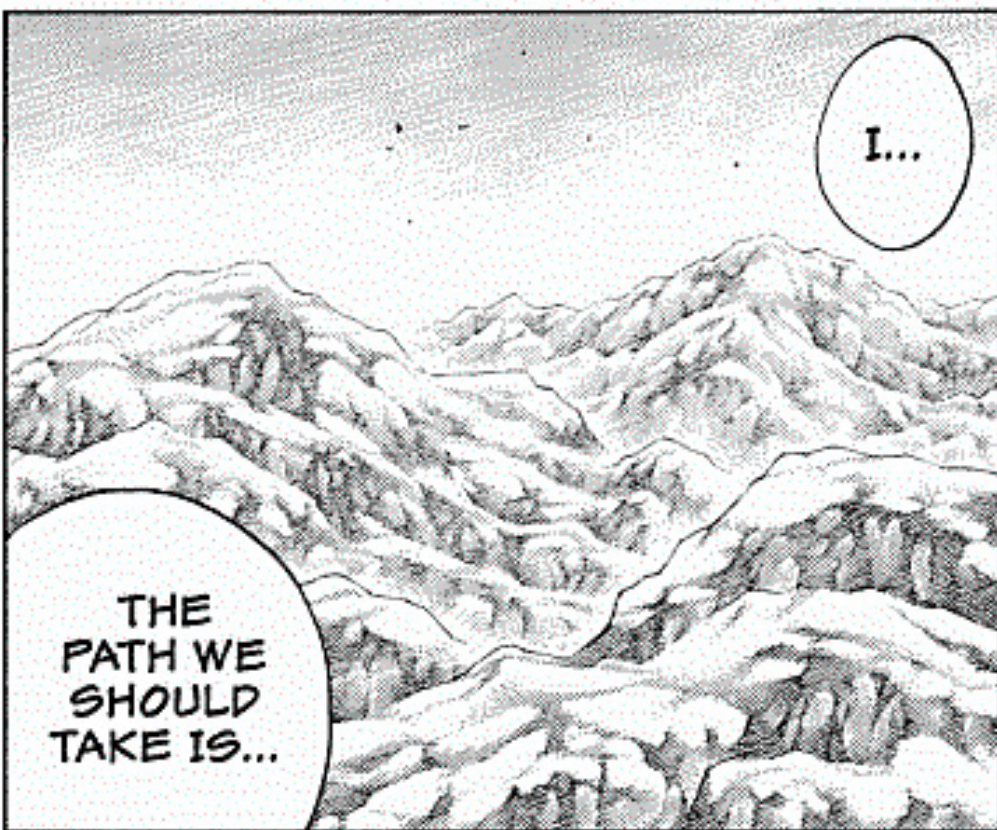
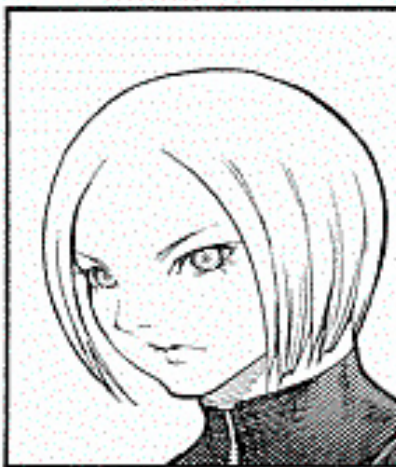
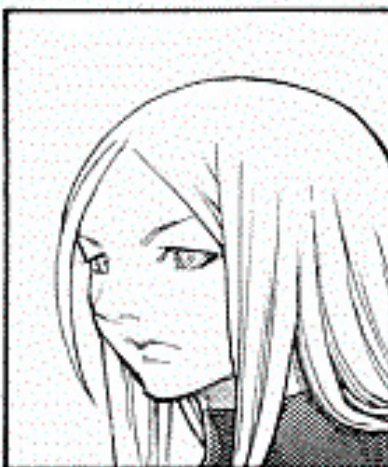
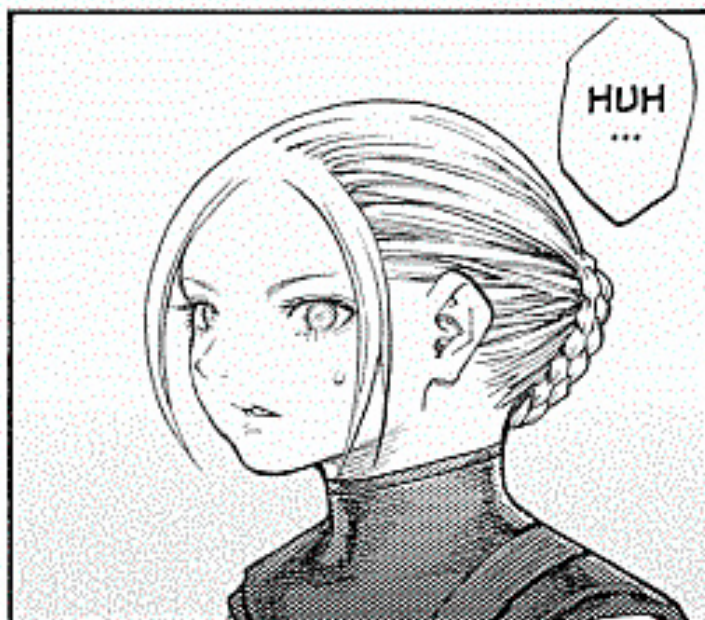
YOU
CHOOSE
OUR
ROADS
FROM
NOW ON.

! ...
DETERMINE
OUR
ROUTE.

TAB-
ITHA
...

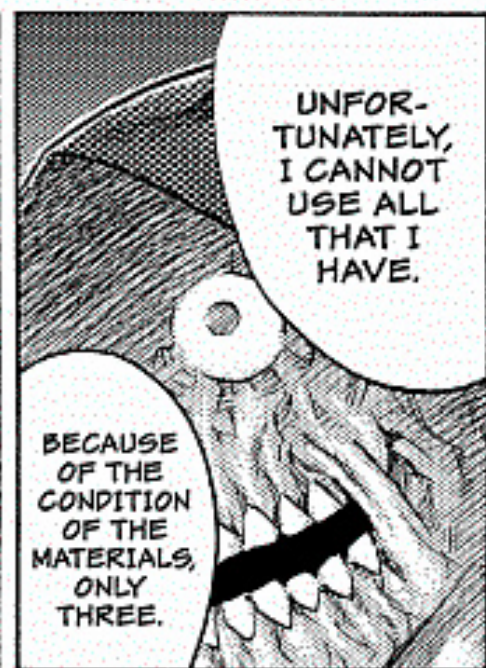
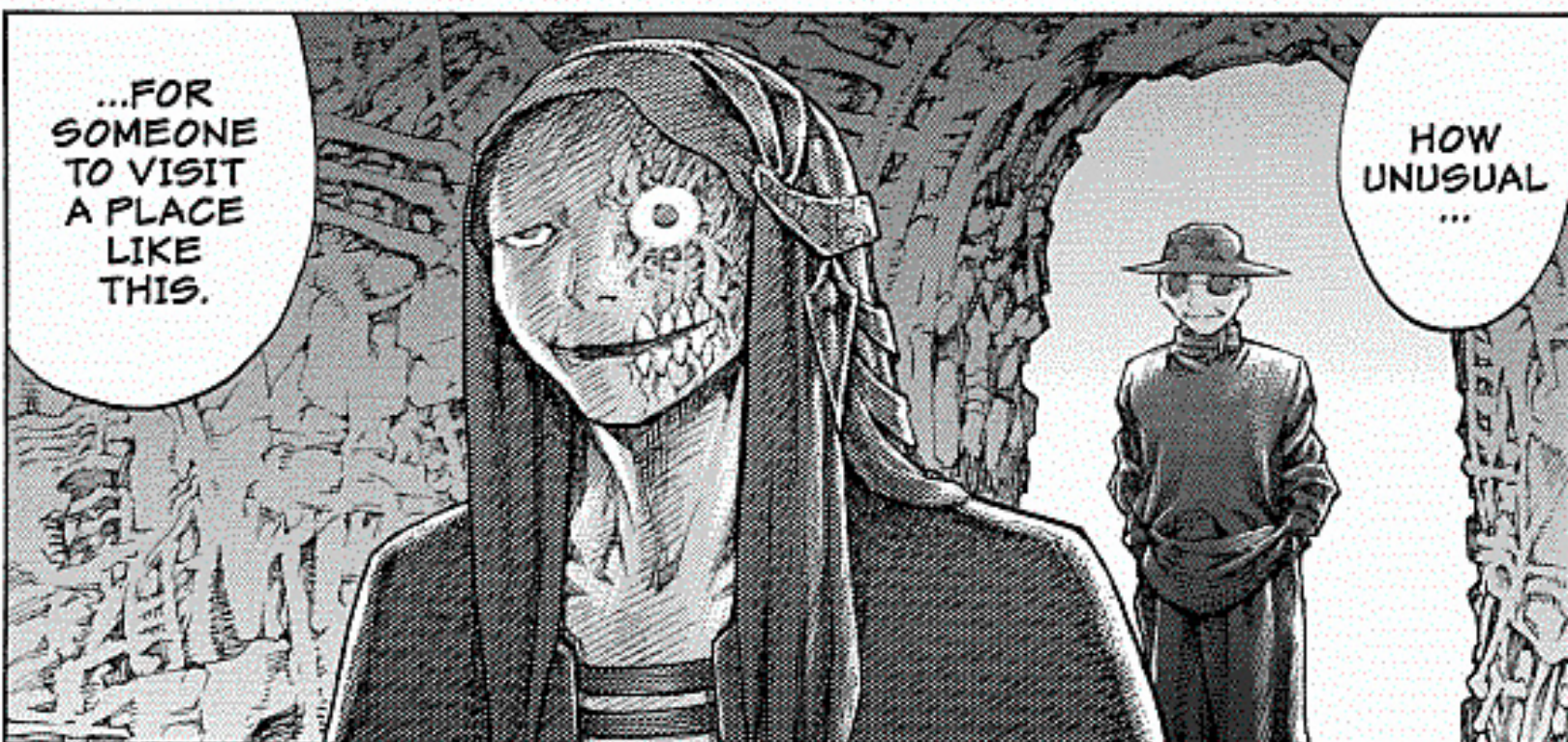
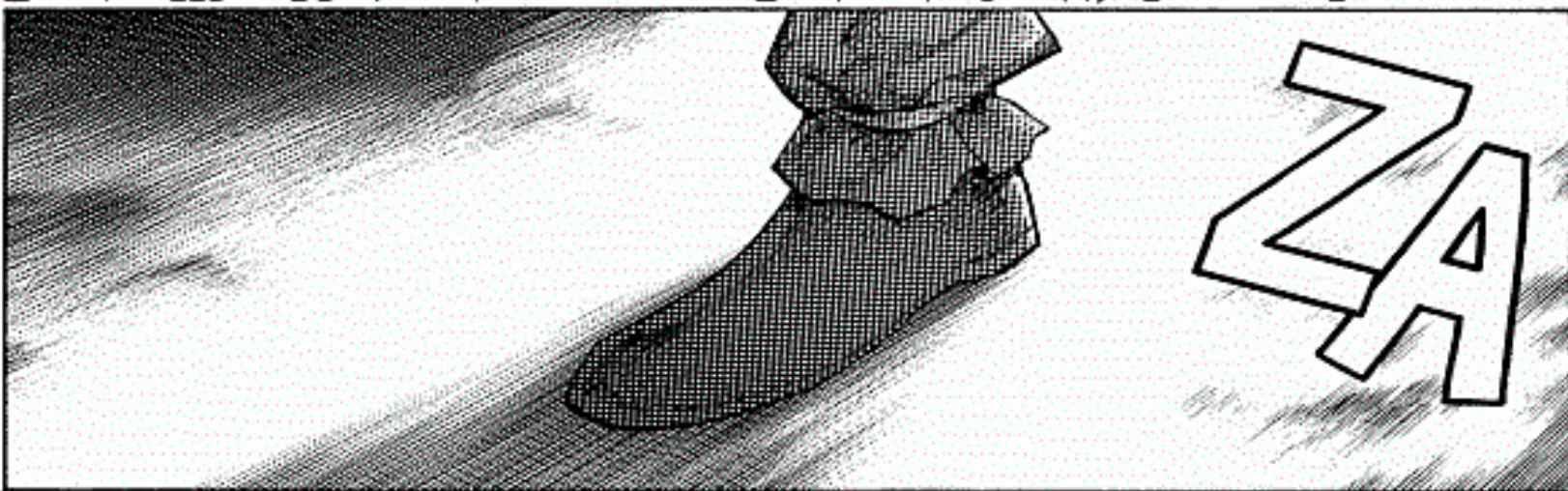
I
SEE.





クレイモア
Claymore

SCENE 113: REMAINS OF THE DEMON CLAW, PART 4





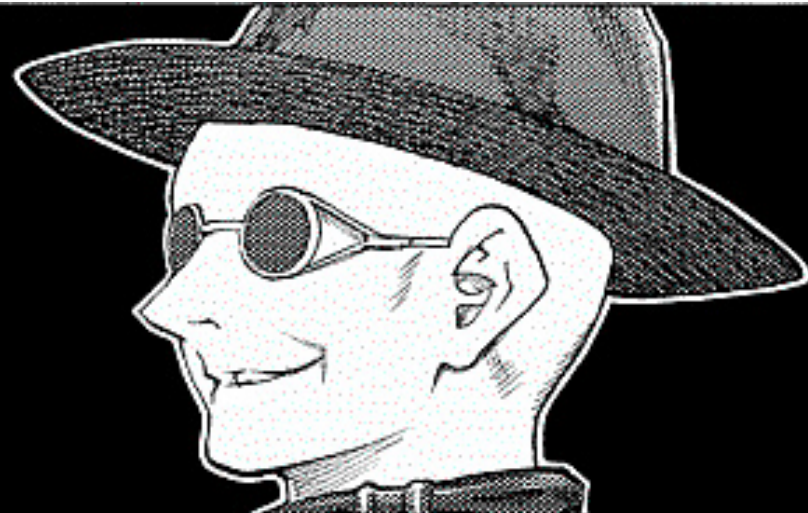
...I
CHOSE
THE
STRONGEST
THREE.



OF
THOSE
WHOSE
BODIES
ARE
COMPLETE
...

**SCENE 113: REMAINS OF THE
DEMON CLAW, PART 4**

I
SEE...



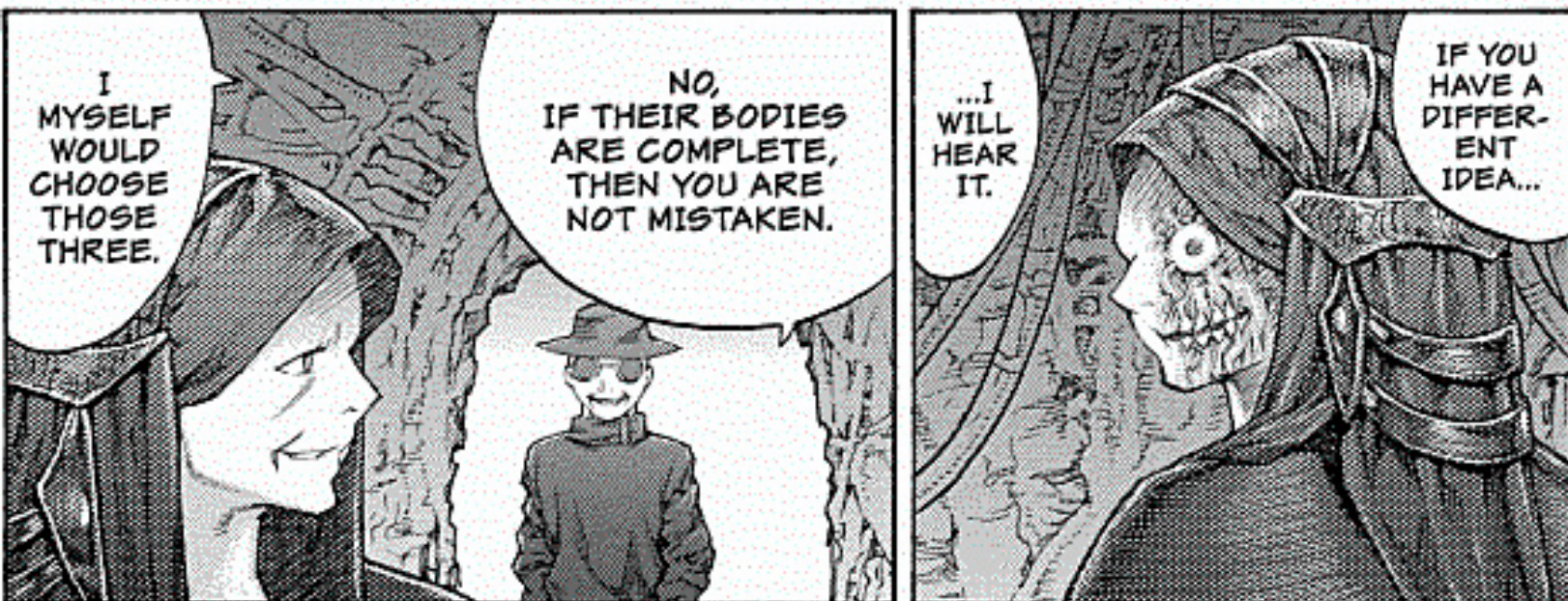
AH...

I
MYSELF
WOULD
CHOOSE
THOSE
THREE.

NO,
IF THEIR BODIES
ARE COMPLETE,
THEN YOU ARE
NOT MISTAKEN.

...I
WILL
HEAR
IT.

IF YOU
HAVE A
DIFFER-
ENT
IDEA...



THE
MOMENT
SHE
REACHED
THE LIMITS
OF HER YOMA
POWER, THE
SURROUNDING
WARRIORS
CHOPPED
HER UP.

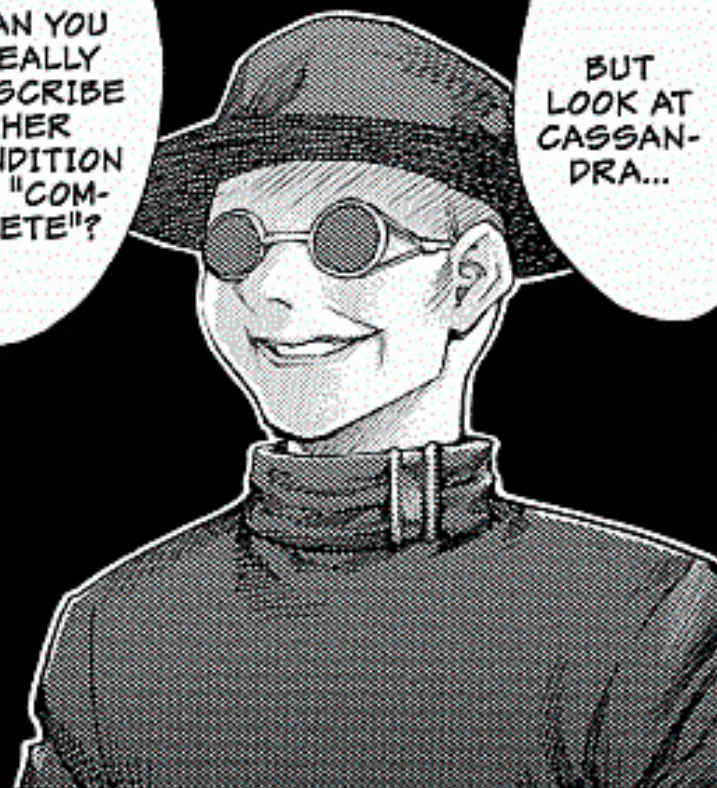
HER
DEATH WAS
GRUESOME-
NESS
ITSELF.

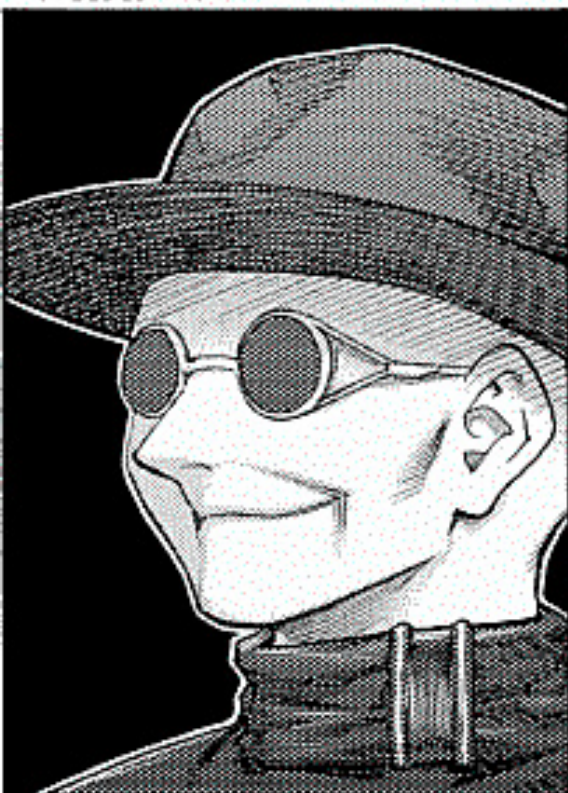
CAN YOU
REALLY
DESCRIBE
HER
CONDITION
AS "COM-
PLETE"?

BUT
LOOK AT
CASSAN-
DRA...

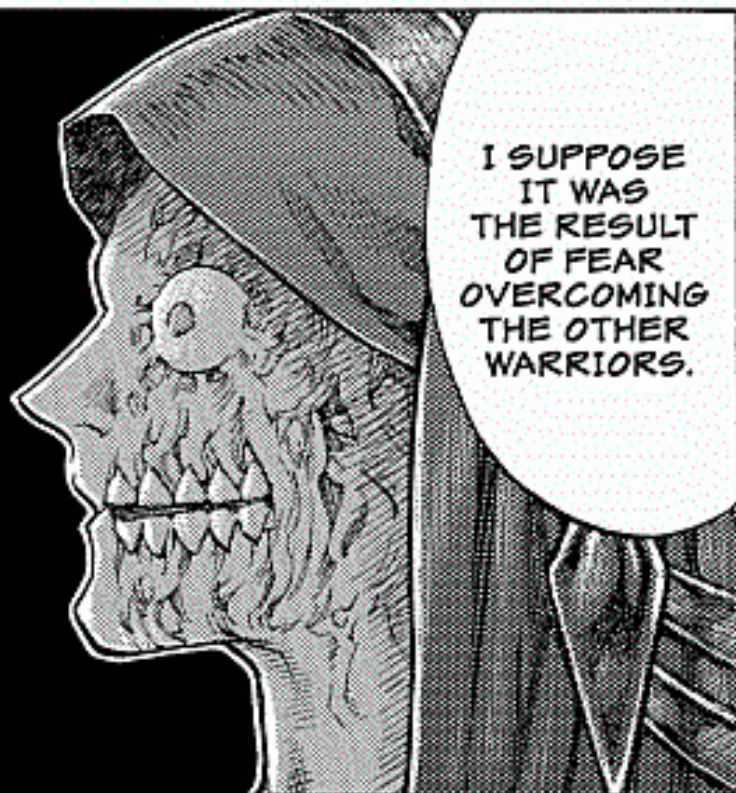
THEY
SAY IT
TOOK
HOURS
FOR HER
TO DIE.

SHE
BEARS
THE
WOUNDS
OF 126
SLASHES
...





BUT
FOR US,
IF SHE
IS NOT
DEFECTIVE
IN ANY WAY,
THERE
SHOULD
BE NO
PROBLEM.



I SUPPOSE
IT WAS
THE RESULT
OF FEAR
OVERCOMING
THE OTHER
WARRIORS.



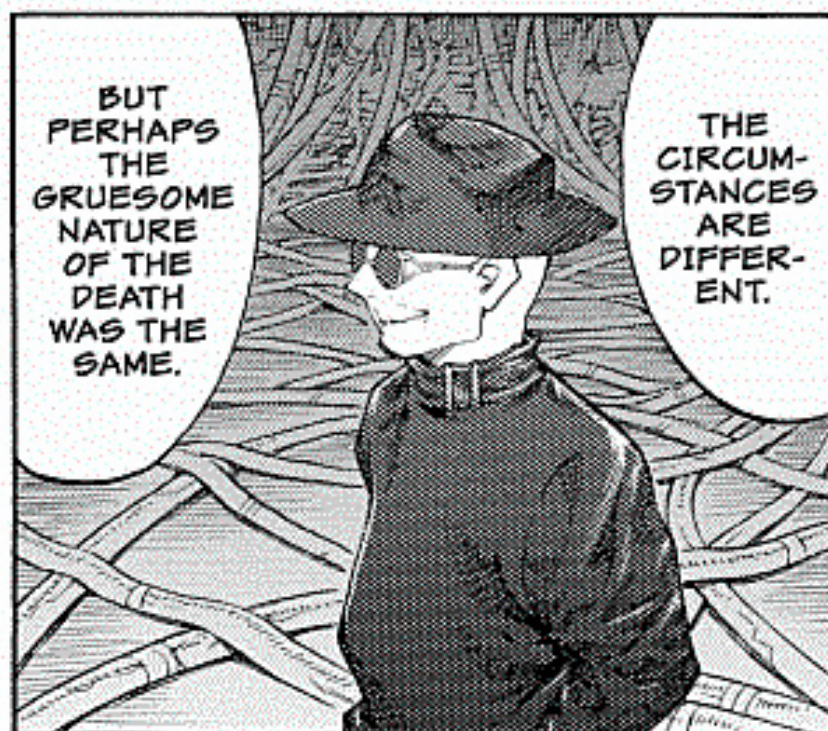
...I
HEARD
THAT
SOMETHING
SIMILAR
HAPPENED
RECENTLY.

SPEAKING
OF
GRUESOME
DEATHS...



...HER
DEATH?

WHO
CON-
FIRMED
...



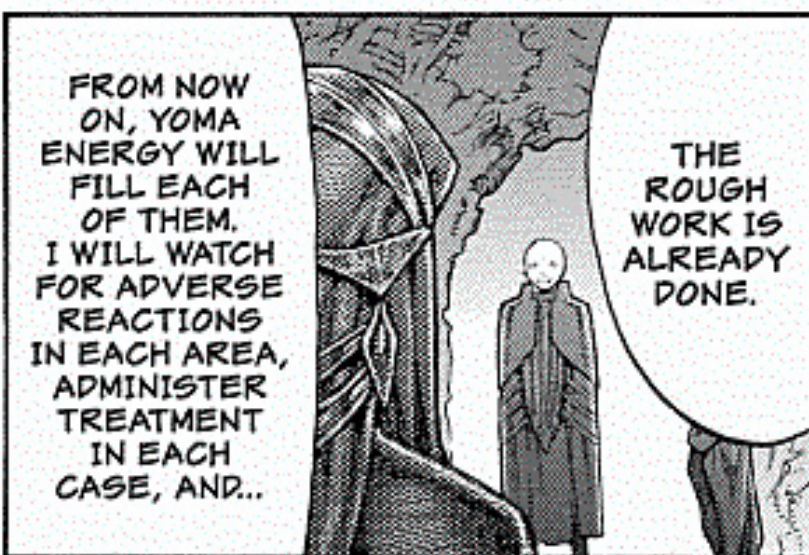
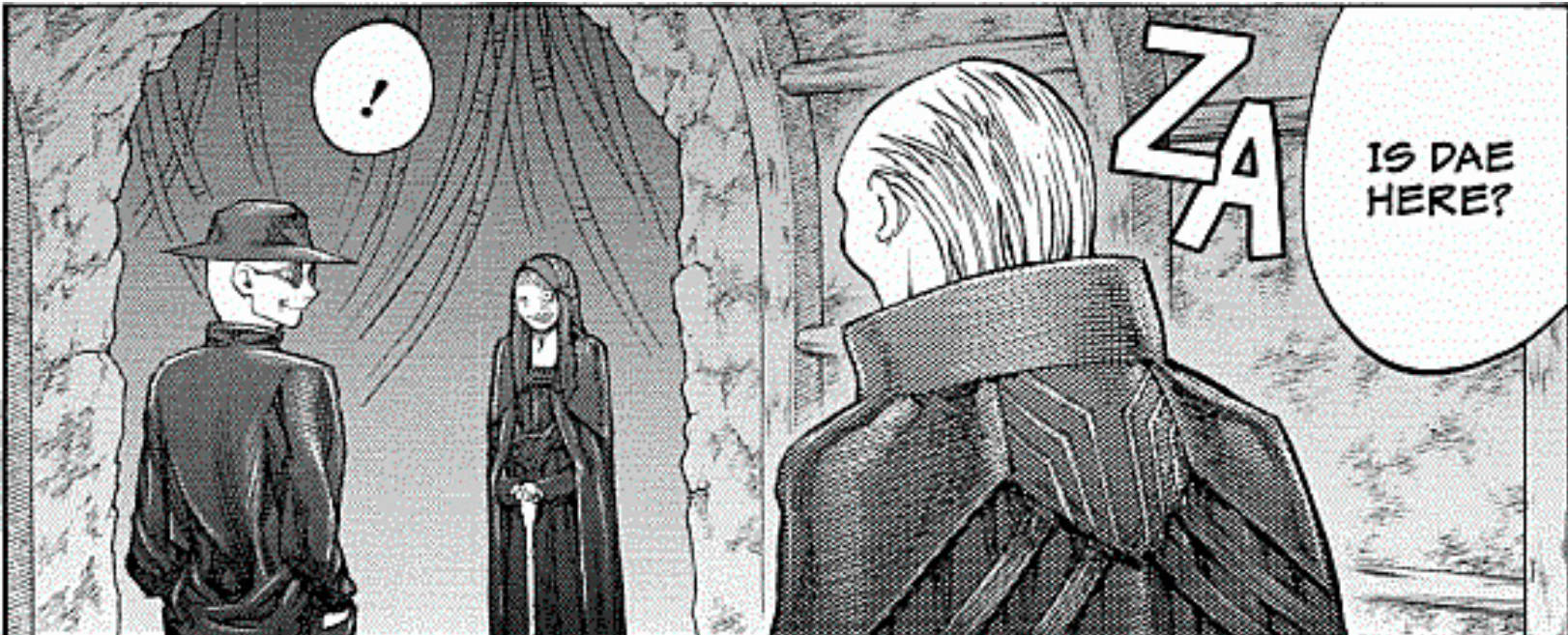
BUT
PERHAPS
THE
GRUESOME
NATURE
OF THE
DEATH
WAS THE
SAME.

THE
CIRCUM-
STANCES
ARE
DIFFER-
ENT.

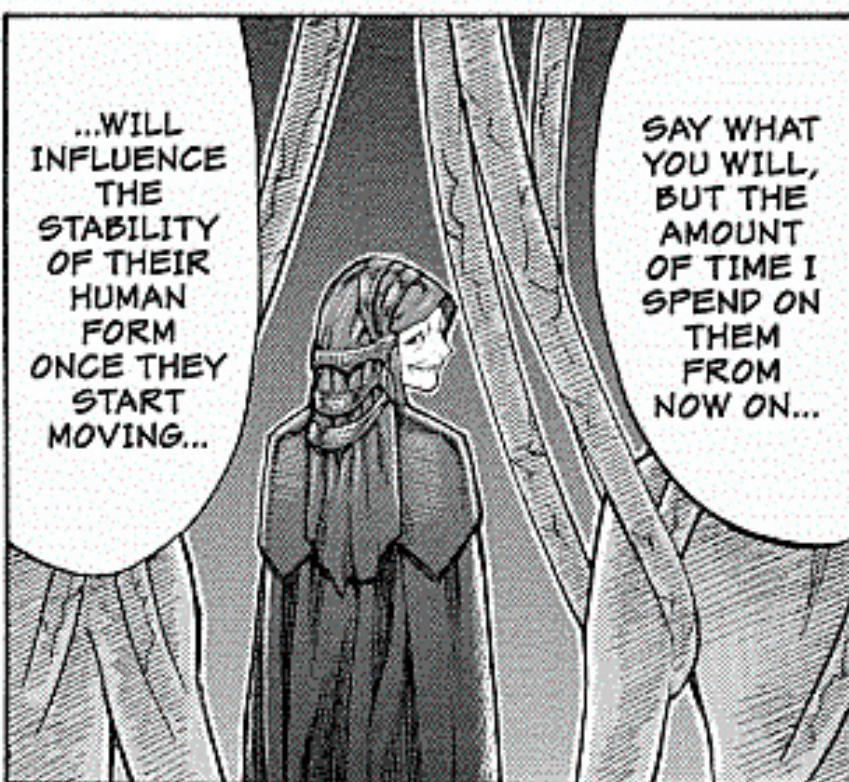
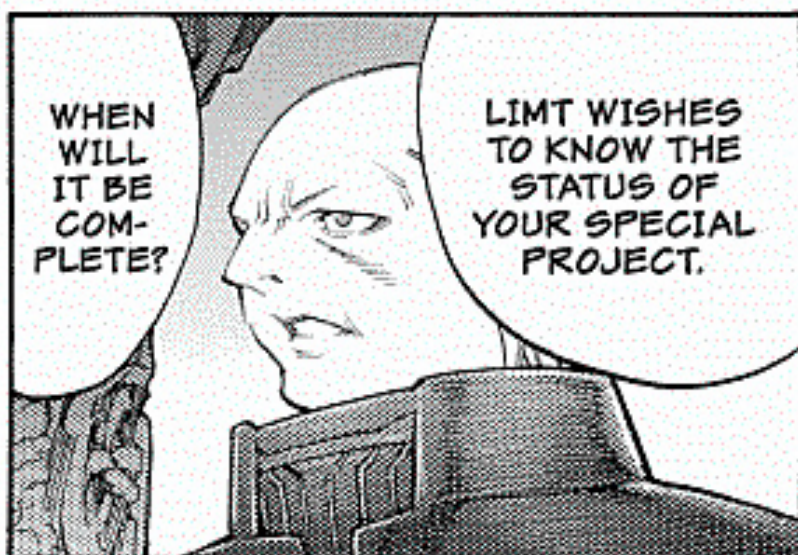


...DOUBTS
HER
DEATH.

NO ONE
WHO SAW
THE
CARNAGE
...

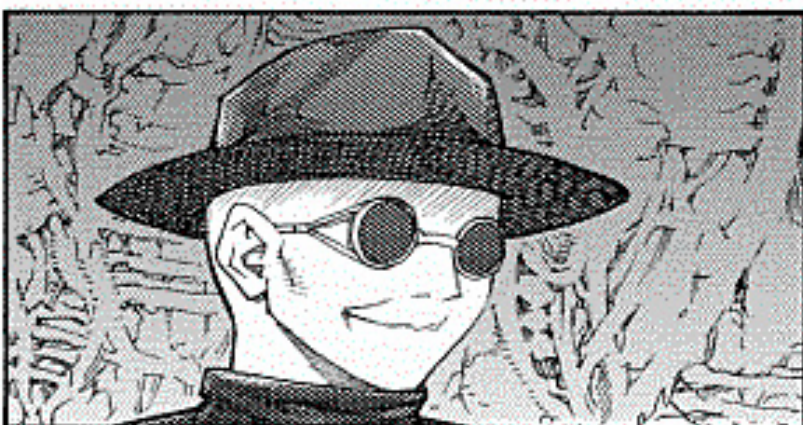


THE
ROUGH
WORK IS
ALREADY
DONE.

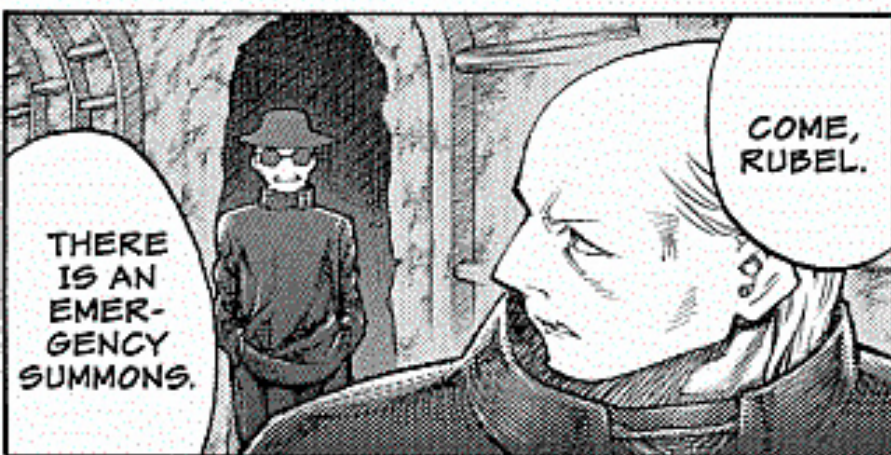


...I CAN
HAVE
THEM
UP AND
MOVING
RIGHT
AWAY.

IF
YOU ARE
READY
FOR THE
BIRTH OF
THREE
NEW
ABYSSAL
ONES...

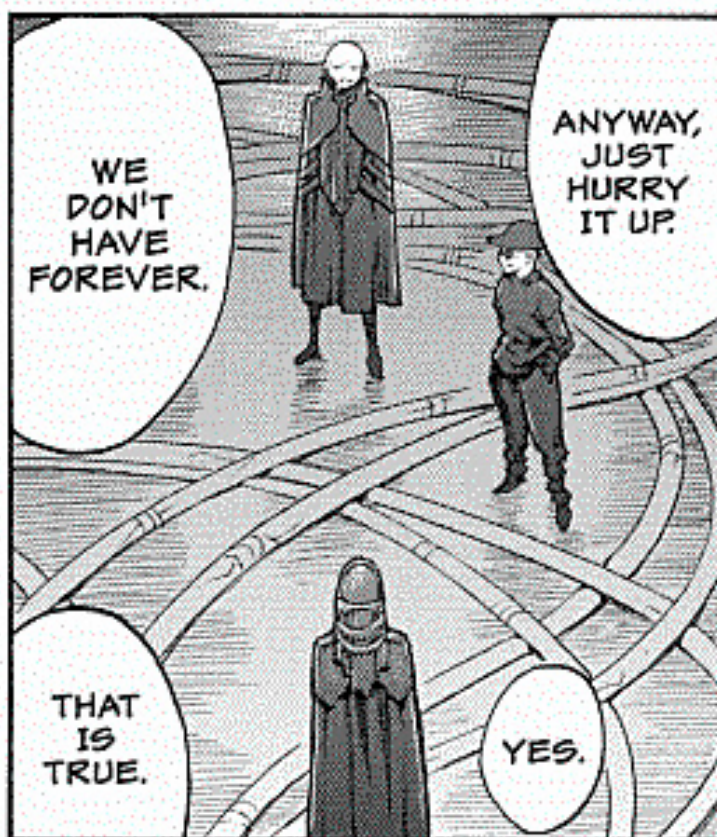


...
UMPH.



COME,
RUBEL.

THERE
IS AN
EMER-
GENCY
SUMMONS.



WE
DON'T
HAVE
FOREVER.

ANYWAY,
JUST
HURRY
IT UP.



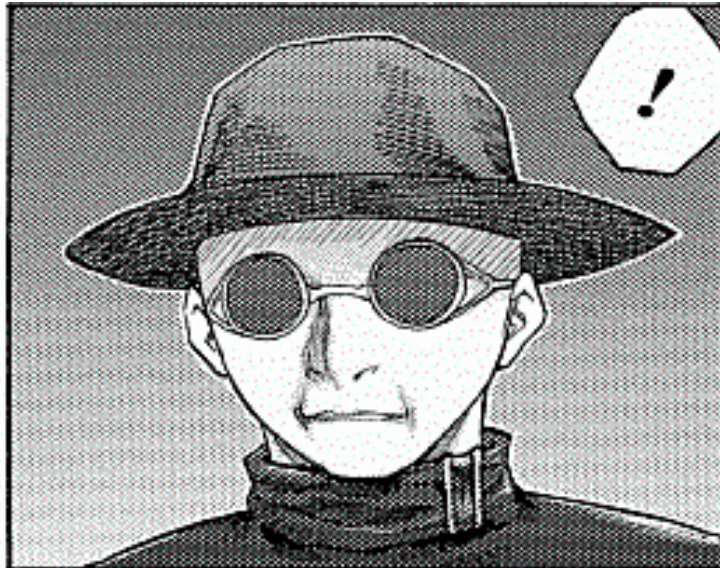
HAS
SOME-
THING
HAP-
PENED?

ZA

AN
EMER-
GENCY
SUM-
MONS...

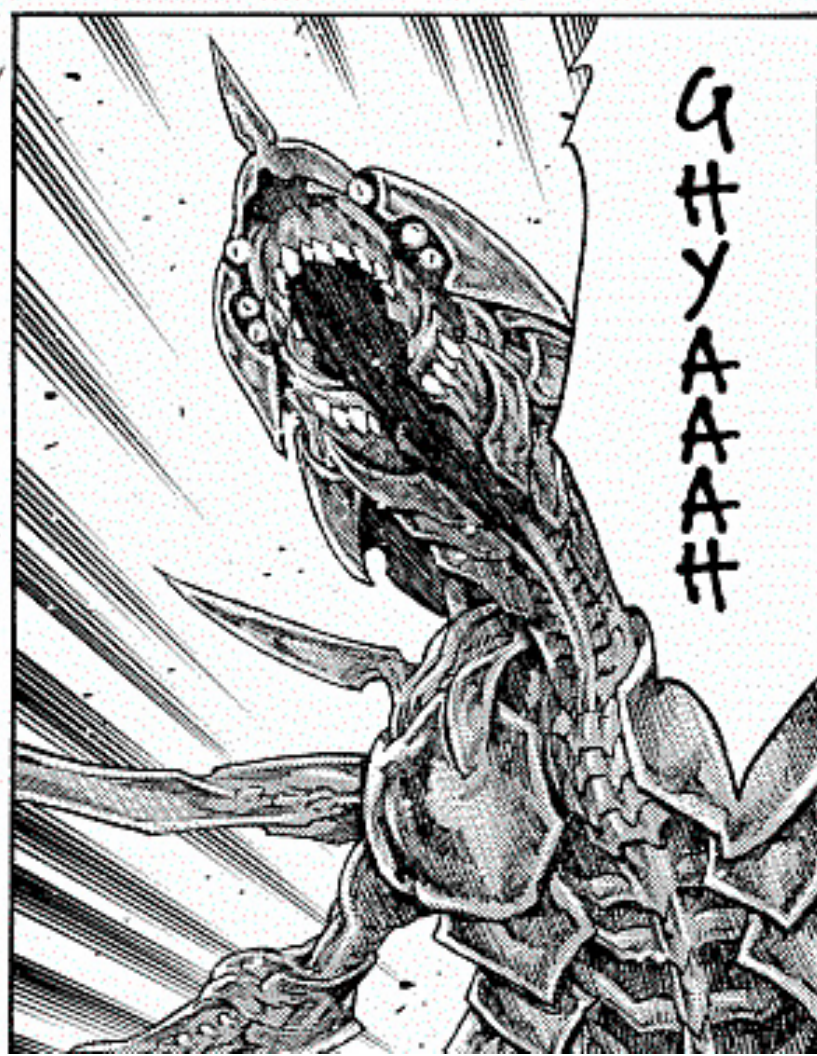
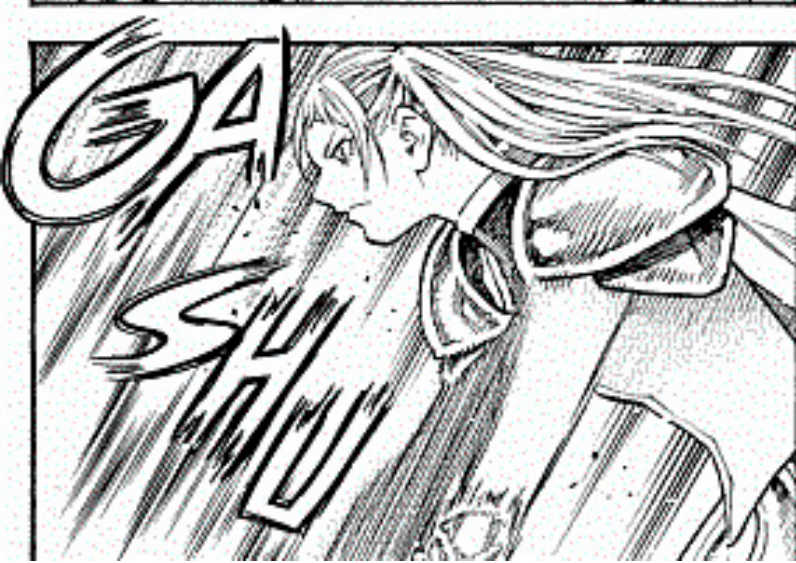
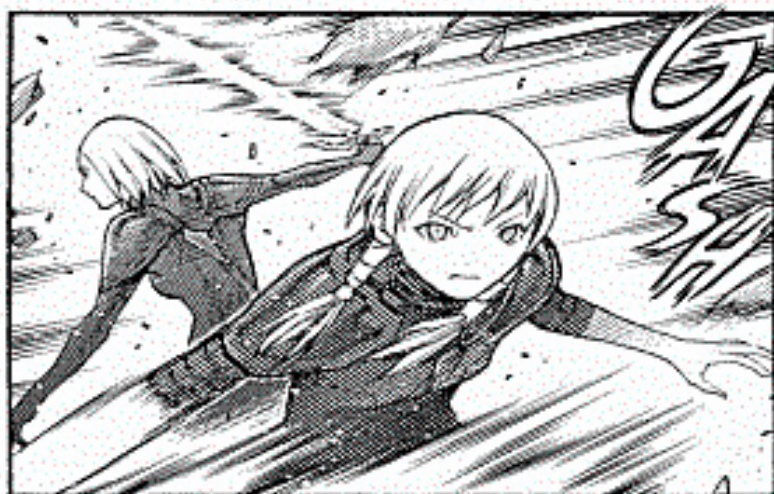
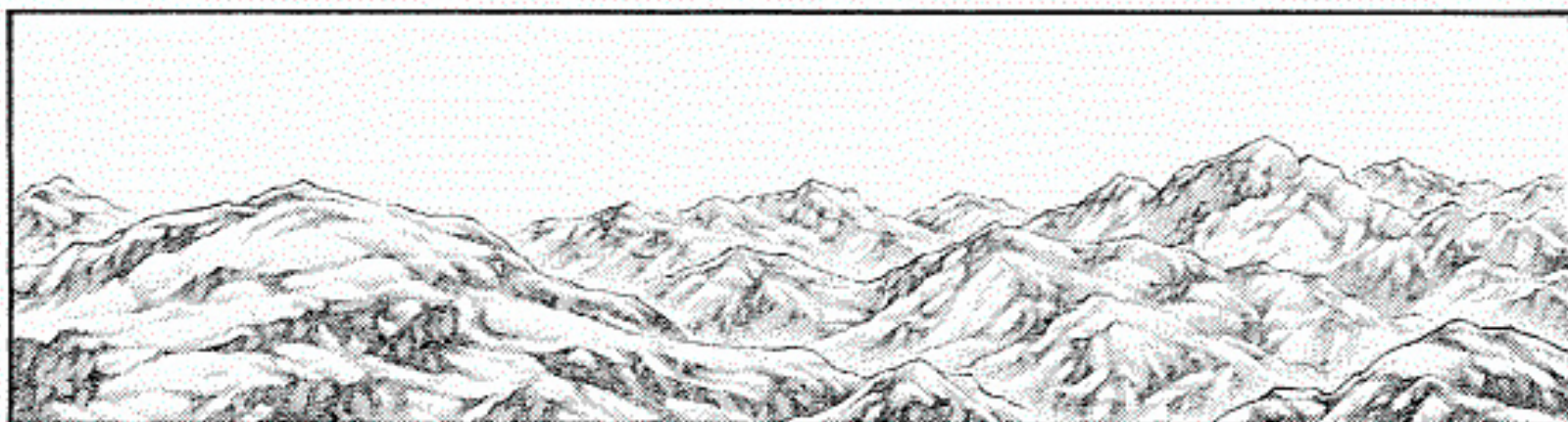
THAT
IS
TRUE.

YES.



IT MAY
HAVE
BEEN
THAT
MYST-
ERIOUS
GROUP.

THE
RESEARCH
FACILITY IN
THE NORTHERN
MOUNTAINS
HAS
SUFFERED
AN ATTACK.





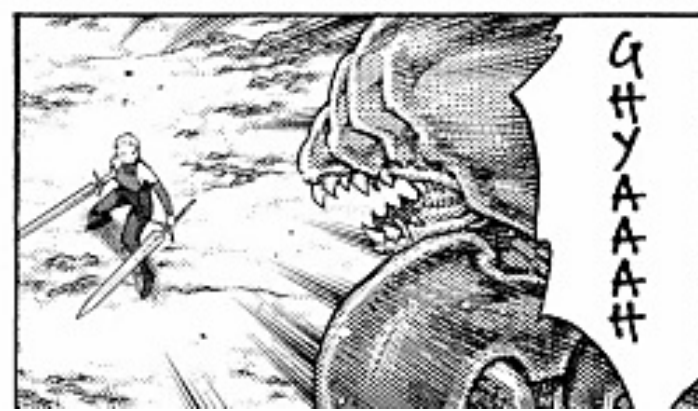
ANYWAY, IF WE INTEND TO DESTROY THE ORGANIZATION...



WE WON'T SURPRISE THE ORGANIZATION NOW.



...WOULDN'T TURN A BLIND EYE.



BESIDES, CAPTAIN MIRIA...

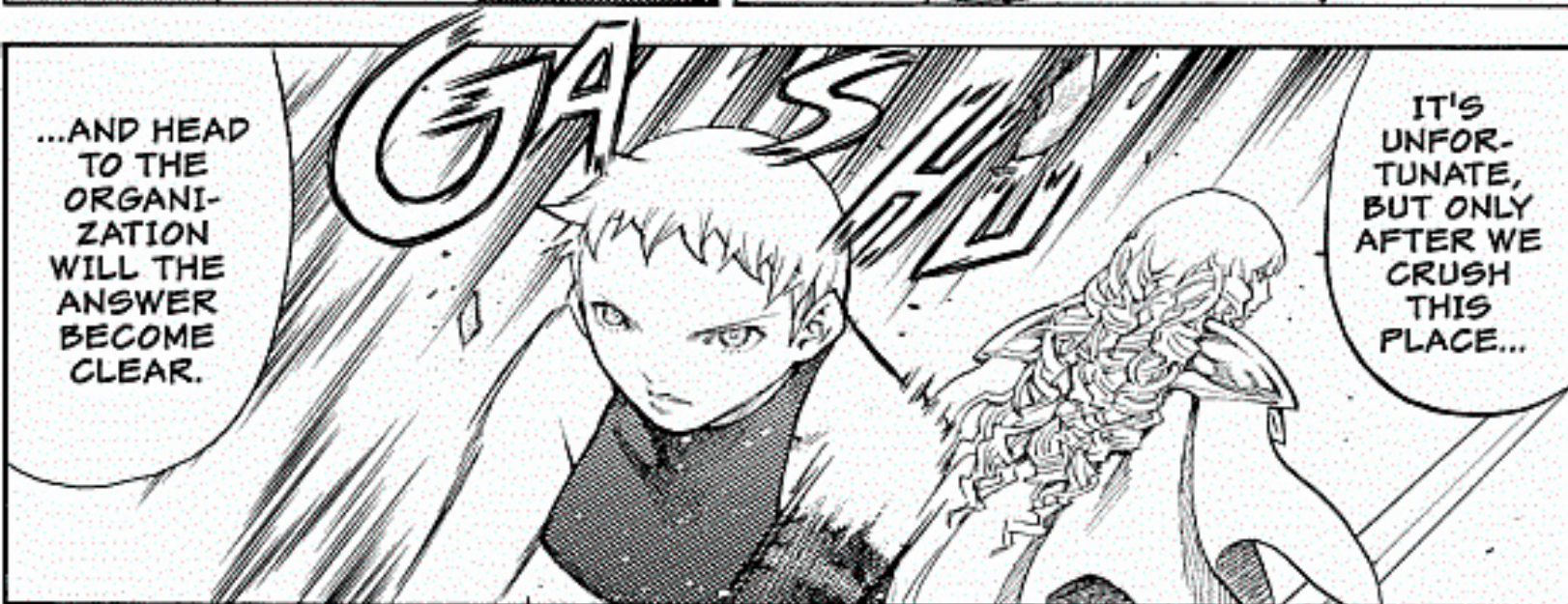




...I AM
WILLING
TO
TAKE UP
ARMS
AGAINST
THE
ORGANI-
ZATION.



IF THIS
FACILITY
GIVING BIRTH
TO AWAKENED
BEINGS
TRULY IS THE
ORGANI-
ZATION'S...



...AND HEAD
TO THE
ORGANI-
ZATION
WILL THE
ANSWER
BECOME
CLEAR.

IT'S
UNFOR-
TUNATE,
BUT ONLY
AFTER WE
CRUSH
THIS
PLACE...



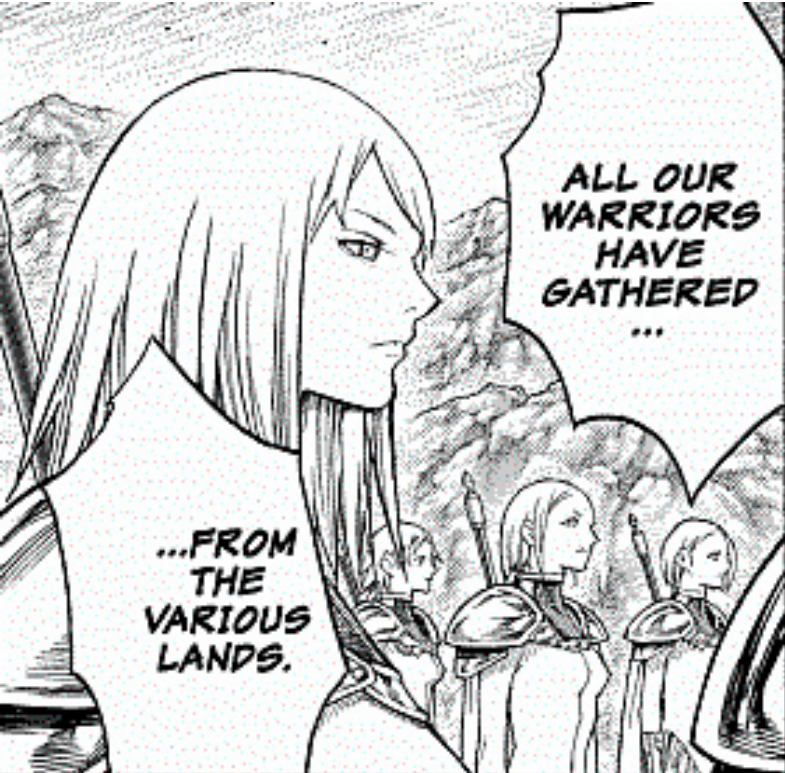
THEN
I
WILL
...

...MAKE
MY PATH
THE SAME
AS YOURS.



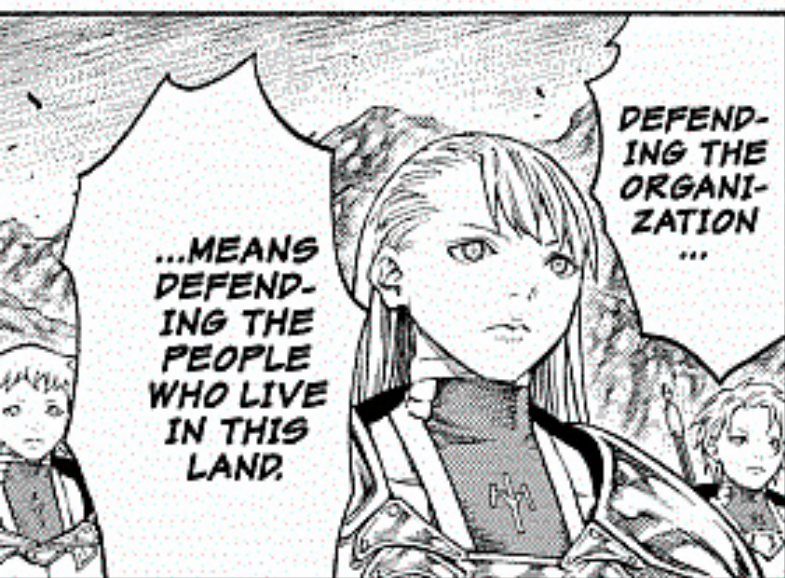
THE
WARRIORS
GATHERING
AT THE
ORGANI-
ZATION
...

...WILL
NOT
HESITATE
TO TURN
THEIR
BLADES
ON YOU,
AS WELL.



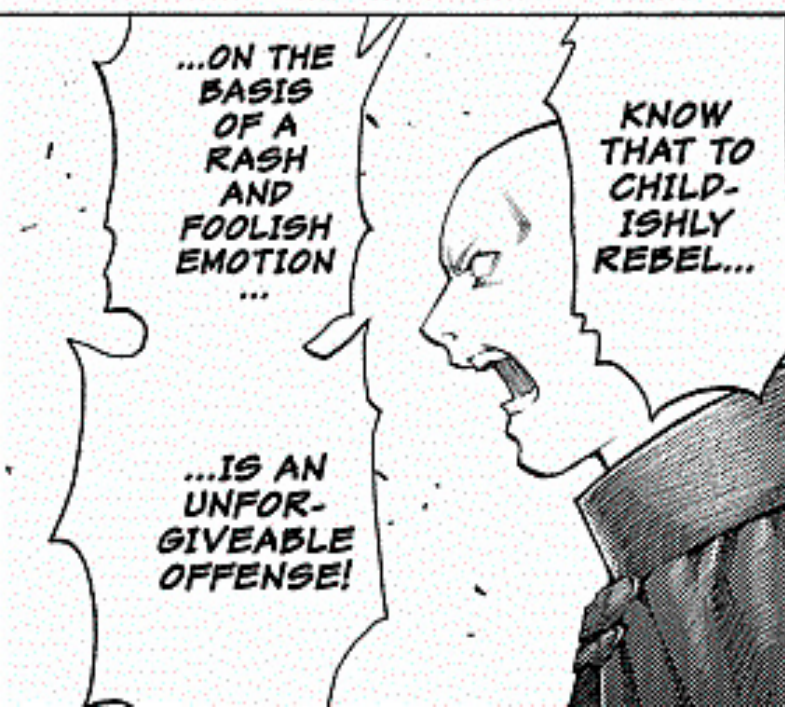
ALL OUR
WARRIORS
HAVE
GATHERED
...

...FROM
THE
VARIOUS
LANDS.



DEFEND-
ING THE
ORGANI-
ZATION
...

...MEANS
DEFEND-
ING THE
PEOPLE
WHO LIVE
IN THIS
LAND.



...ON THE
BASIS
OF A
RASH
AND
FOOLISH
EMOTION
...

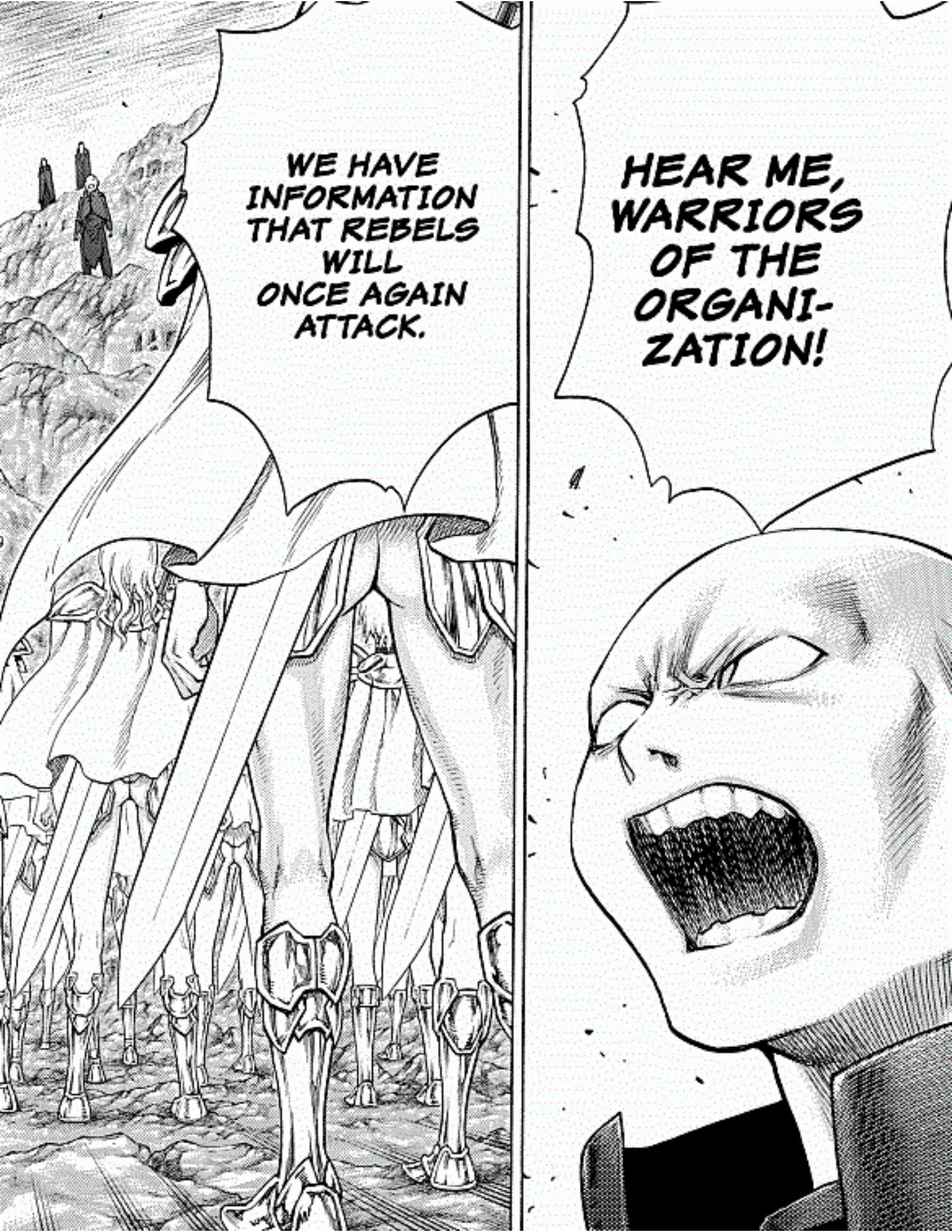
KNOW
THAT TO
CHILD-
ISHLY
REBEL...

...IS AN
UNFOR-
GIVEABLE
OFFENSE!



THIS
TIME
IT WILL
NOT
BE ONE,
BUT
MANY.

WE WILL
FACE
THEM
WITH THE
ORGANI-
ZATION'S
FULL
MIGHT.



**WE HAVE
INFORMATION
THAT REBELS
WILL
ONCE AGAIN
ATTACK.**

**HEAR ME,
WARRIORS
OF THE
ORGANI-
ZATION!**

...AS WELL AS
NUMBER 15,
NUMBER 31
AND
NUMBER 38...

...HAVE
JOINED
WITH THE
REBELS.

UNFORTUNATELY,
IT APPEARS THAT
MISSING WARRIORS
NUMBER 7,
ANASTASIA,
AND NUMBER 8,
DIETRICH...

THUS,
KNOW THAT
TALKING WITH
THEM WILL BE
OF NO AVAIL.
ONCE YOU
FIND THEM,
YOU MAY
KILL THEM
WITHOUT
HESITATION.

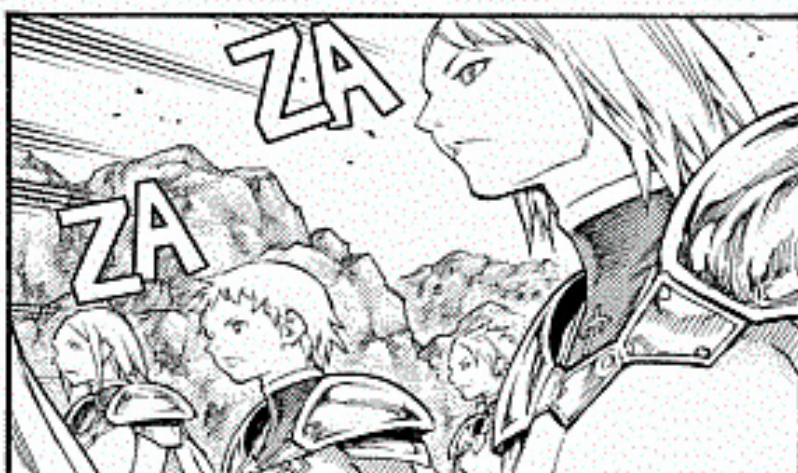
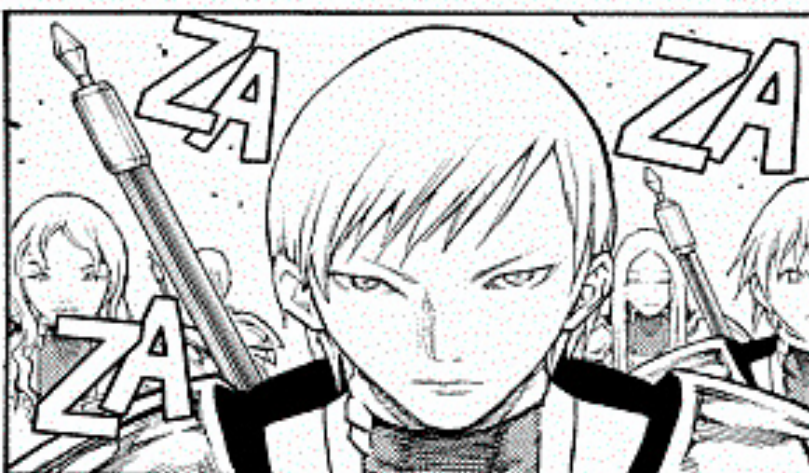
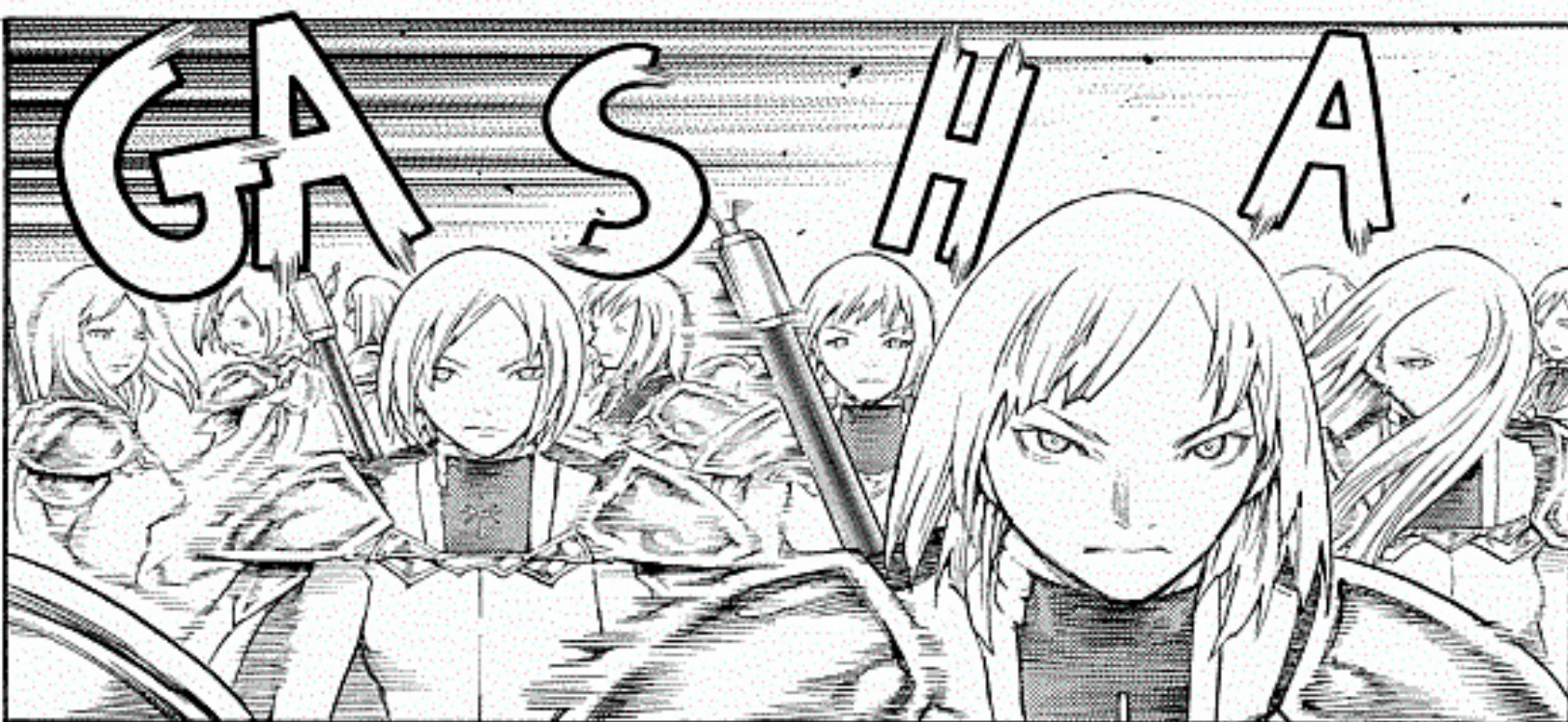
WE ALSO
HAVE
INFORMATION
THAT
THEY HAVE
AWAKENED
BUT
DISGUISE
THEMSELVES
IN HUMAN
FORM.

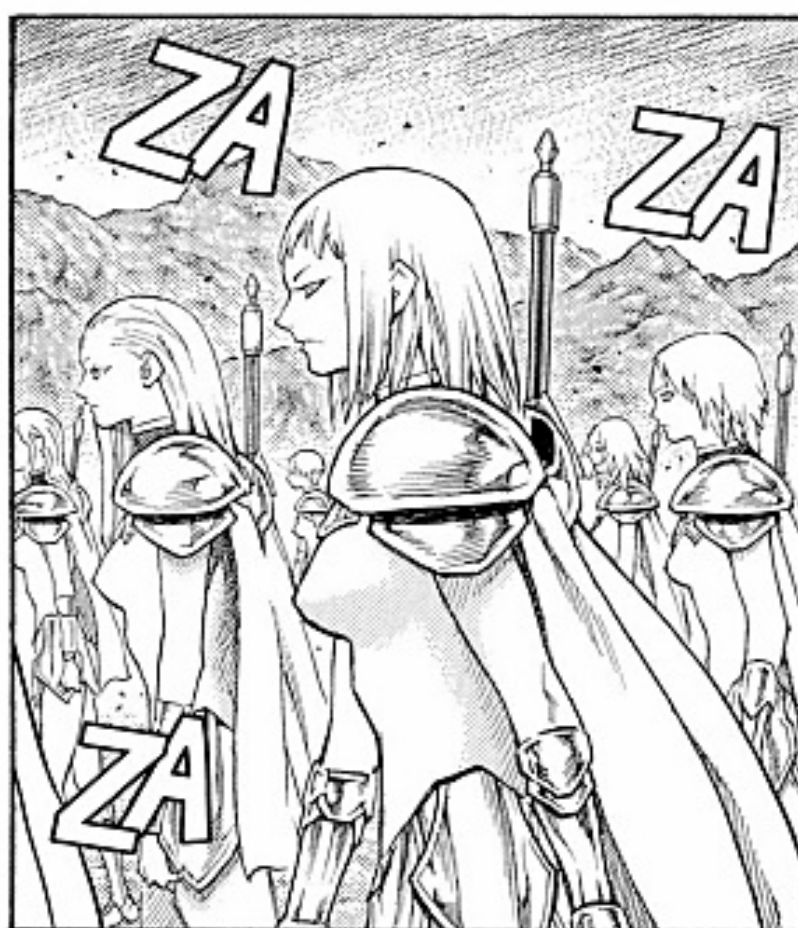
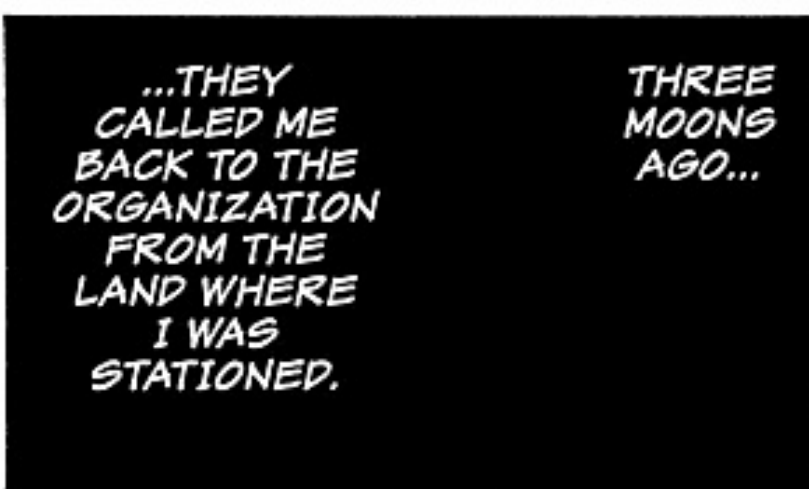
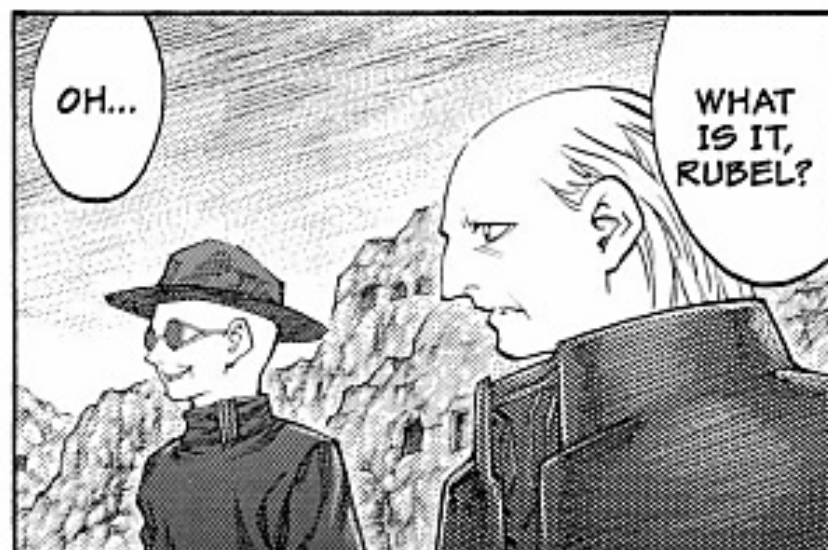
...TO
LAUNCH
A
SURPRISE
ATTACK
ON THE
ORGANI-
ZATION.

THEY
ARE
USING A
LITTLE-
KNOWN
MOUNTAIN
PATH
TO THE
NORTH...

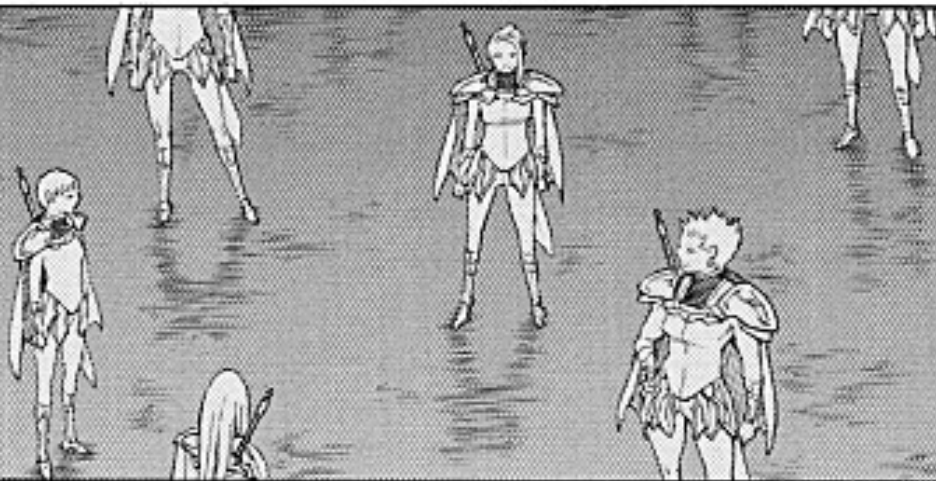
GO TO THE
SLOPES
OF THE
NORTHERN
MOUNTAINS
IN FULL
FORCE AND
DESTROY
THE HATEFUL
ENEMIES!

THERE
IS NO
NEED
TO WAIT
FOR
THEM
HERE.





...ALMOST
ALL OF THE
WARRIORS
SCATTERED
ABOUT THE
VARIOUS
LANDS HAD
RETURNED.



WHEN
I GOT
BACK
TO THE
ORGANI-
ZATION
...

...AND THE
EXPECTATION
OF AN
EXTERNAL
ATTACK,
BUT I THOUGHT
THAT REASON
WAS
EXCEEDINGLY
RIDICULOUS.



THEY SAID
IT WAS
BECAUSE
OF THE
ABSENCE
OF A
NUMBER ONE
AND
NUMBER TWO
I HAD
NEVER
SEEN...

...WE
HEARD
ABOUT
THE
ATTACK.

WHEN I WAS
LAUGHING
ABOUT THAT
WITH MY
COMRADES...

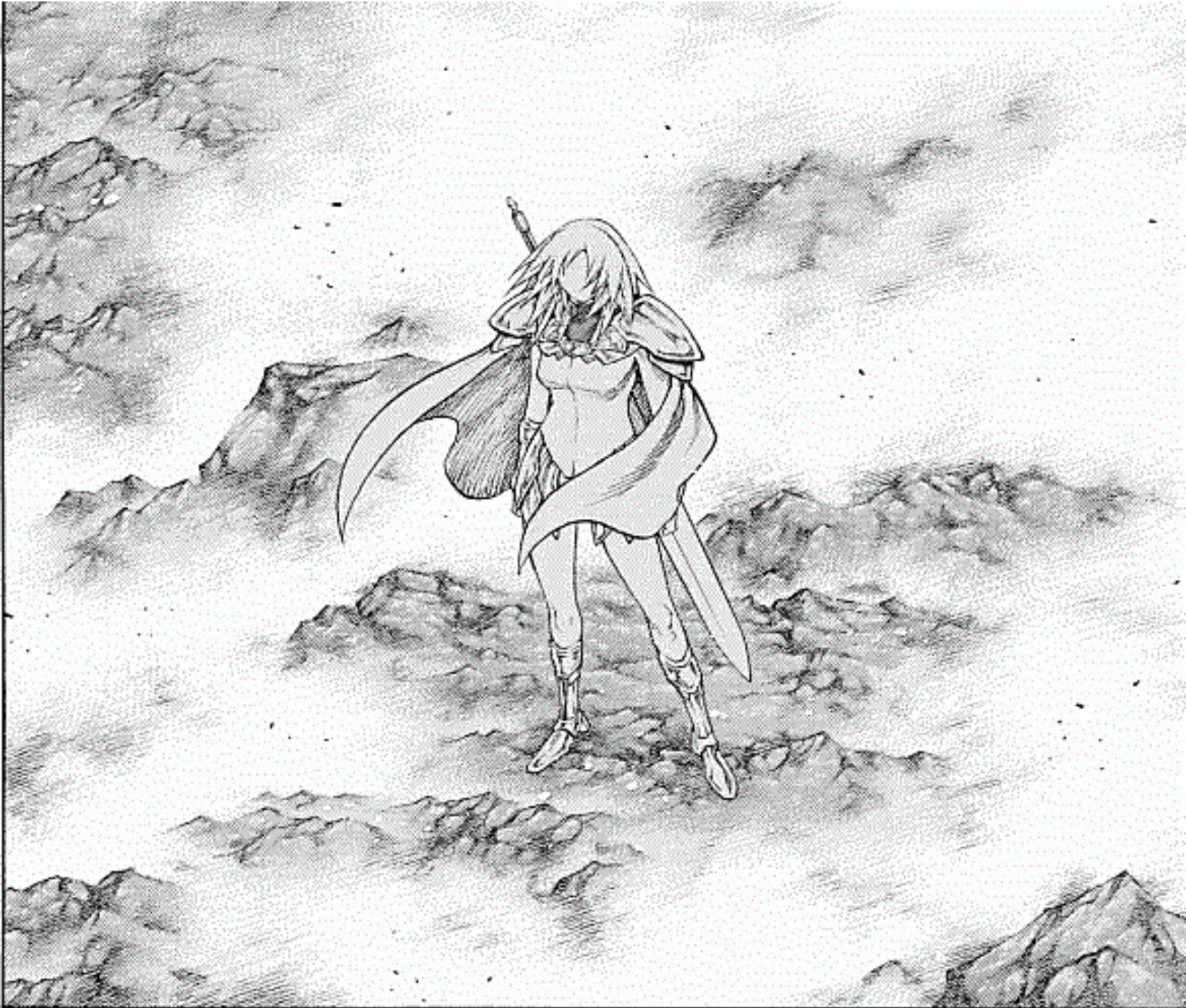
ALMOST NO
ONE COMES
NEAR THIS
EASTERN LAND
WHERE THE
ORGANIZATION
IS.

WHO
WAS THE
ATTACKER
AND
HOW MUCH
FORCE
WERE THEY
COMING
WITH?



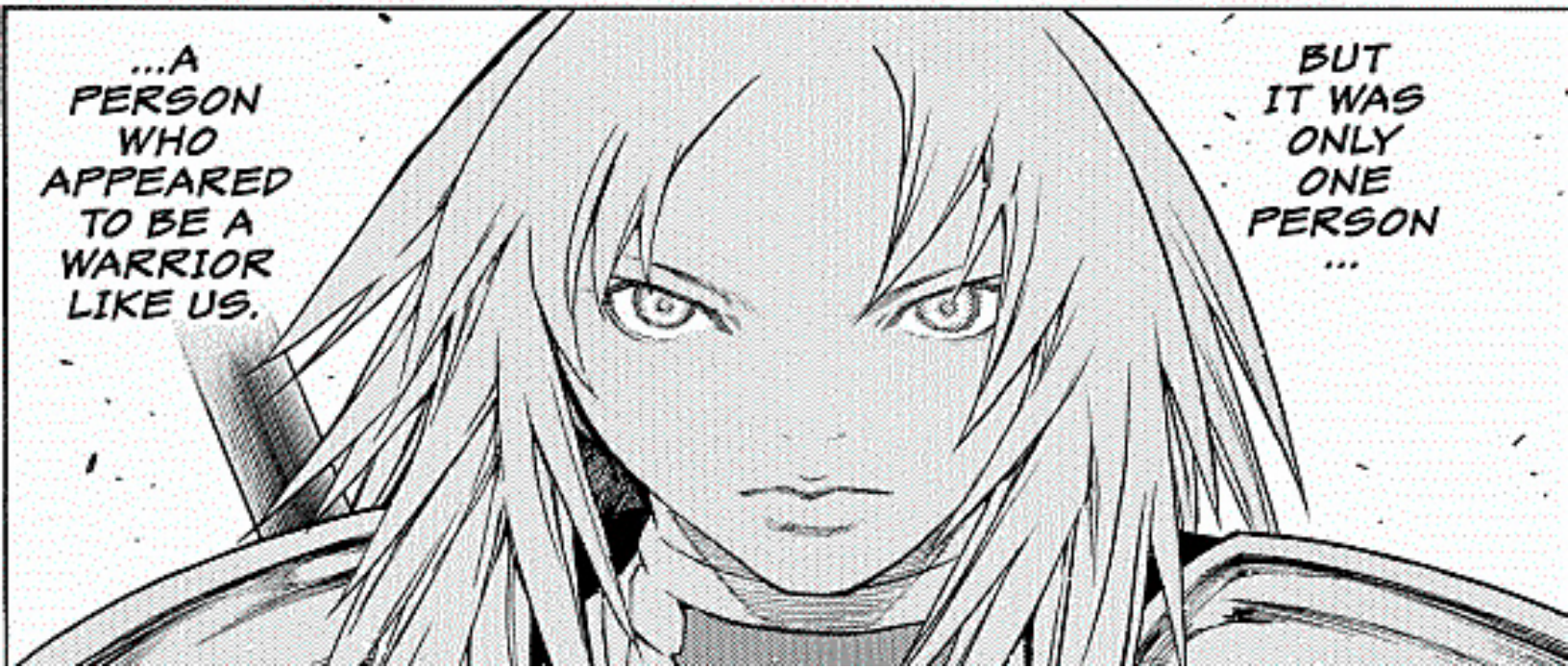
TENSION
GRIPPED
THE WAR-
RIORS'
FACES.

WHAT'S
MORE,
ATTACKING
THE
ORGANI-
ZATION
WOULD BE
AN ACT OF
SUICIDE.



...A
PERSON
WHO
APPEARED
TO BE A
WARRIOR
LIKE US.

BUT
IT WAS
ONLY
ONE
PERSON
...



...BUT THE
WARRIORS
WHO HAD
GATHERED TO
INTERCEPT
THE ATTACK
WERE SILENT.

IT WAS A
SITUATION
THAT SHOULD
HAVE BEEN
LAUGHABLE...

THAT WARRIOR,
WHOM I HAD
NEVER SEEN...

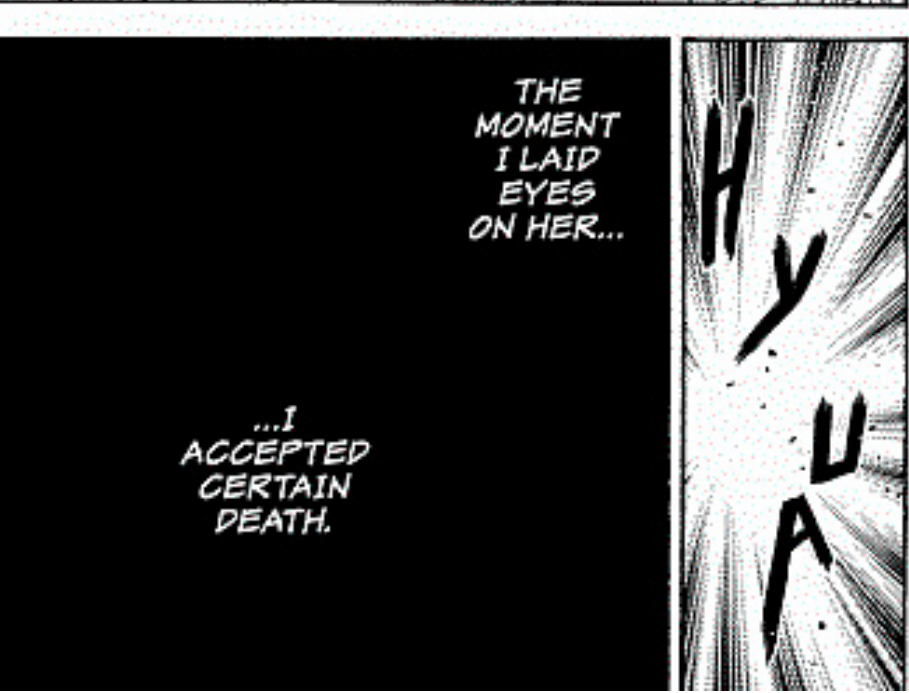
...CARRIED WITH
HER AN AIR OF
SOMETHING
EXTRAORDINARY.

WARRIOR
...?
COMRADE
...?

WE SOON
LEARNED
THE REASON
FOR THE
UNEASY
FEELING
THAT
WASHED
OVER US.

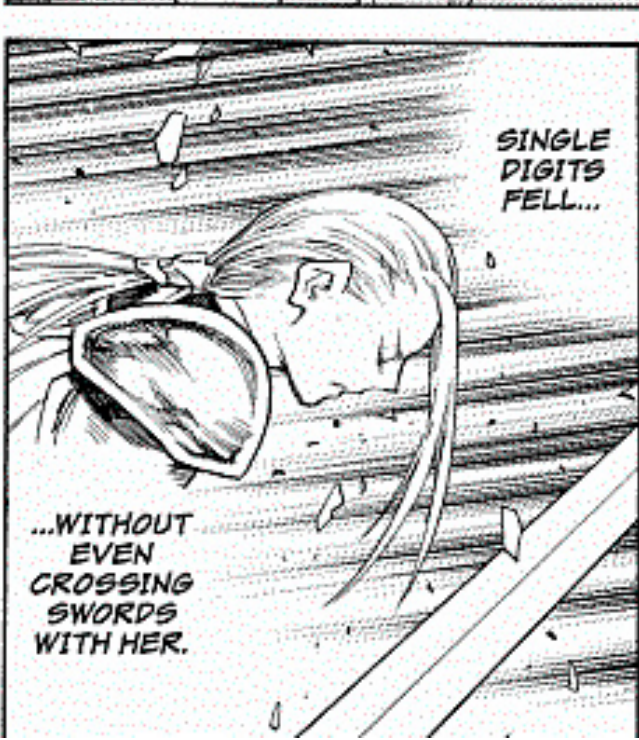
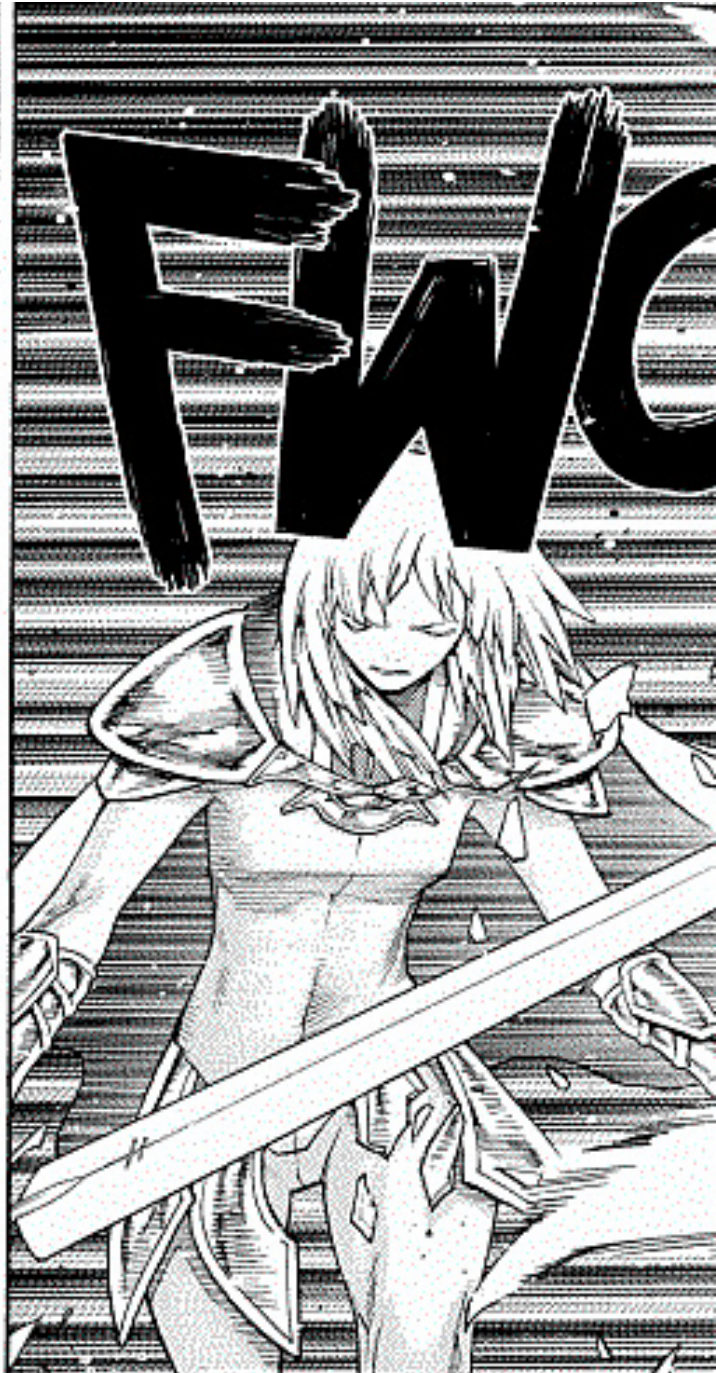
THE VOICES OF
THE MEN IN THE
ORGANIZATION
CALLED ME BACK
TO MYSELF...

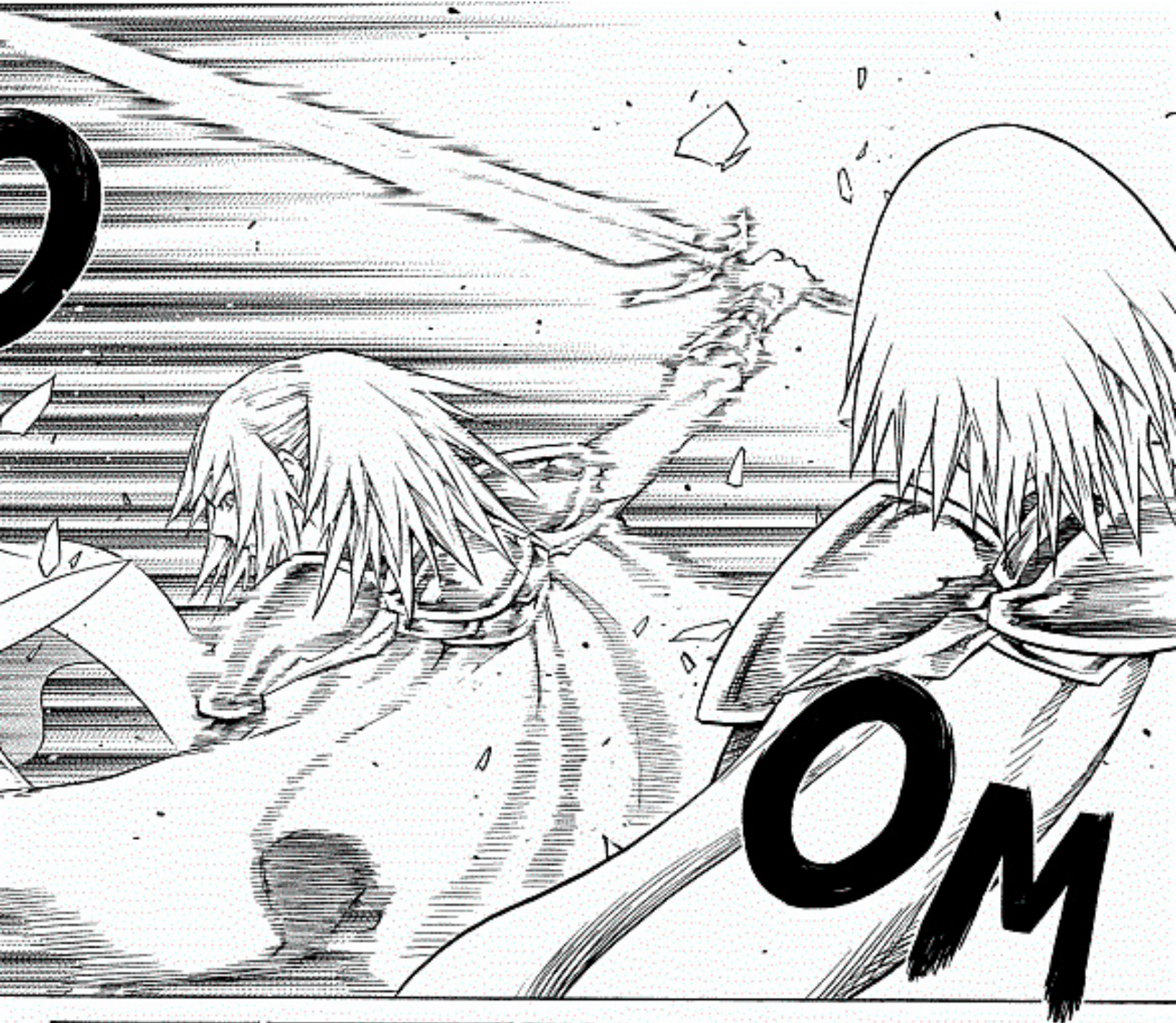
...AND IN
CONFUSION,
I DREW
MY SWORD,
WHICH WAS
HEAVIER
THAN USUAL.



THE
MOMENT
I LAID
EYES
ON HER...

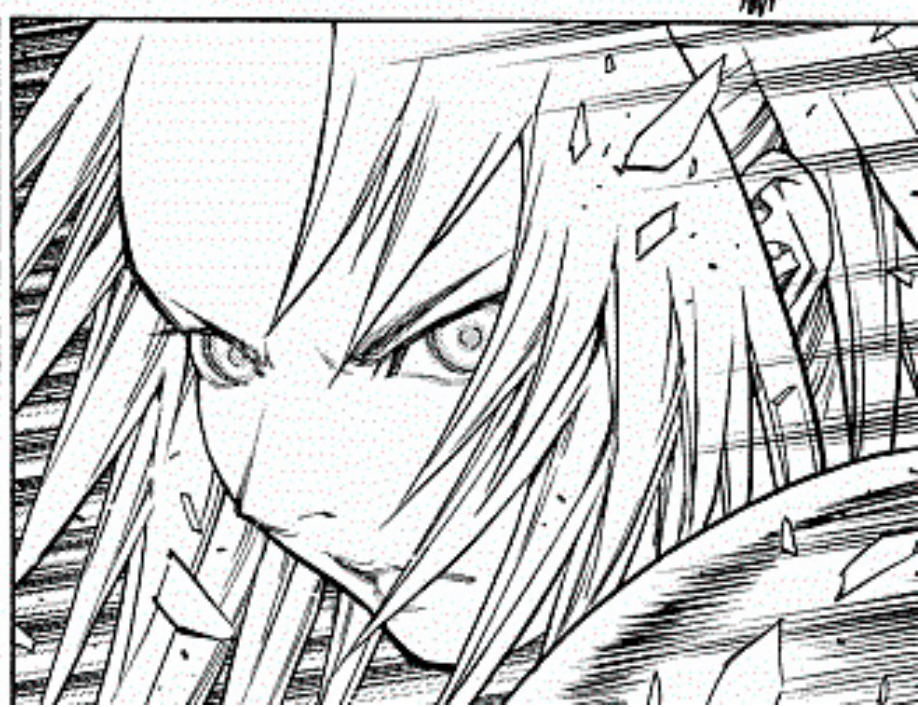
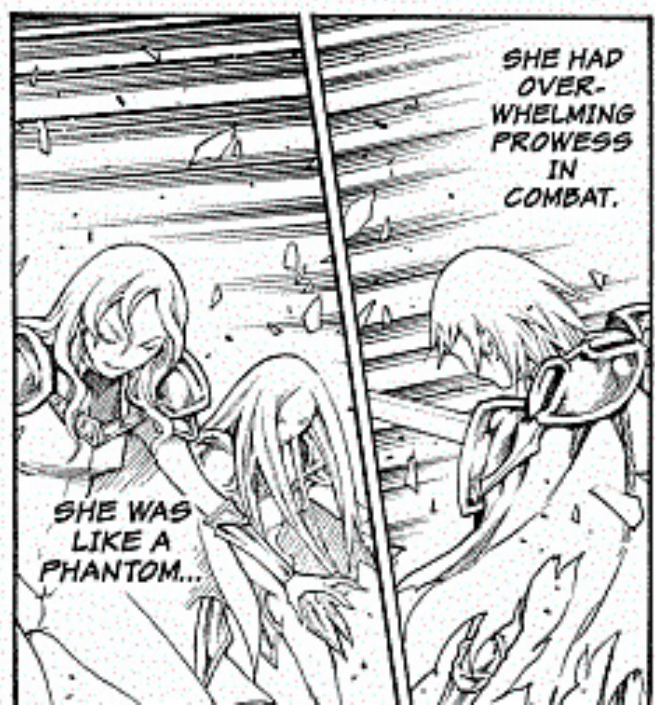
...I
ACCEPTED
CERTAIN
DEATH.

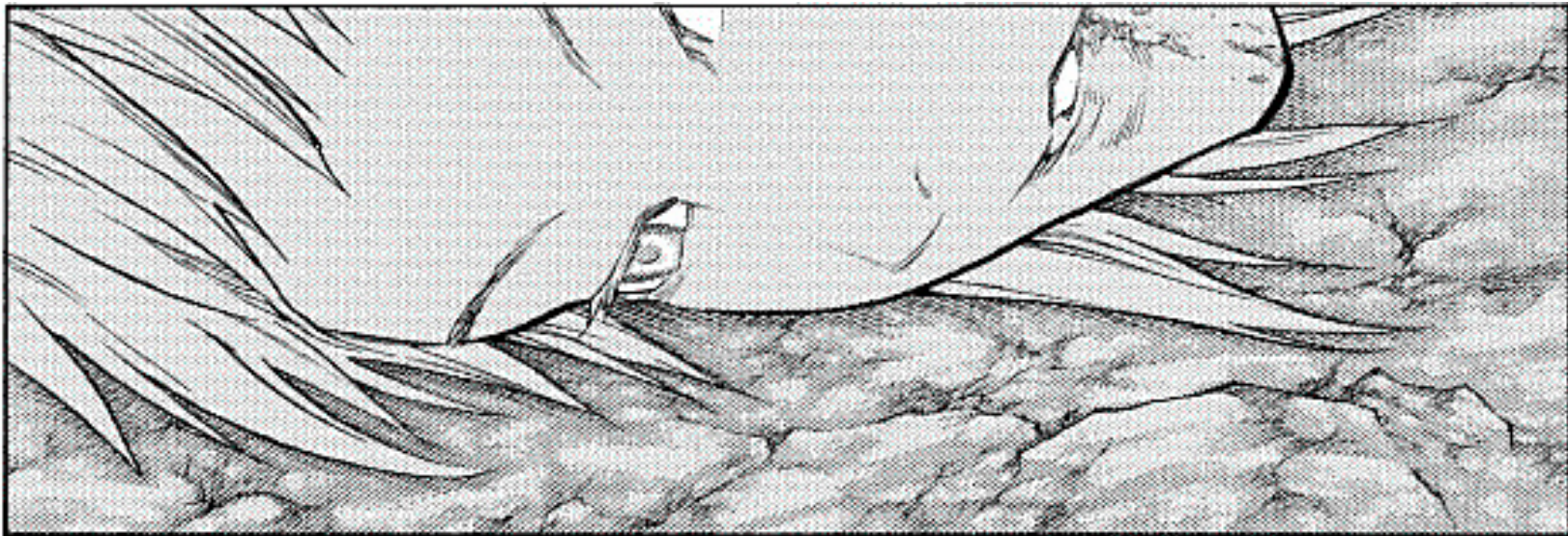




SHE HAD
OVER-
WHELMING
PROWESS
IN
COMBAT.

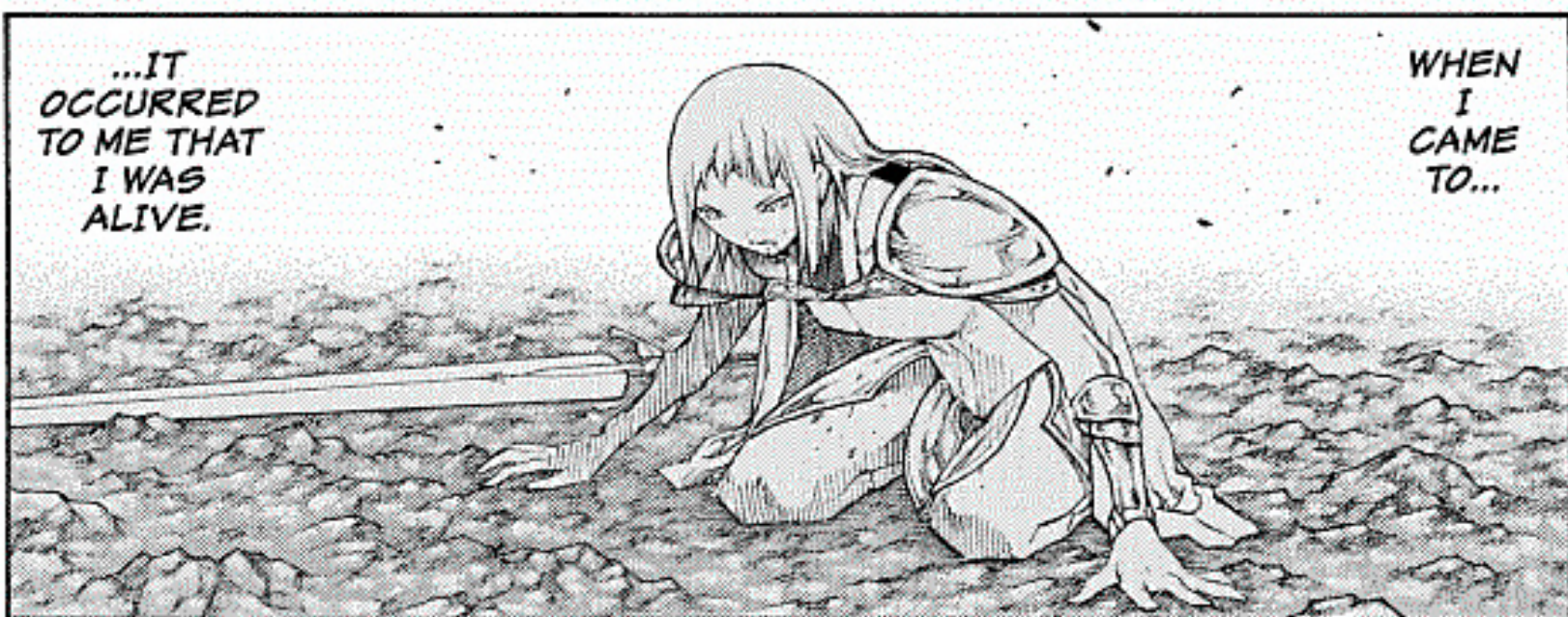
SHE WAS
LIKE A
PHANTOM...





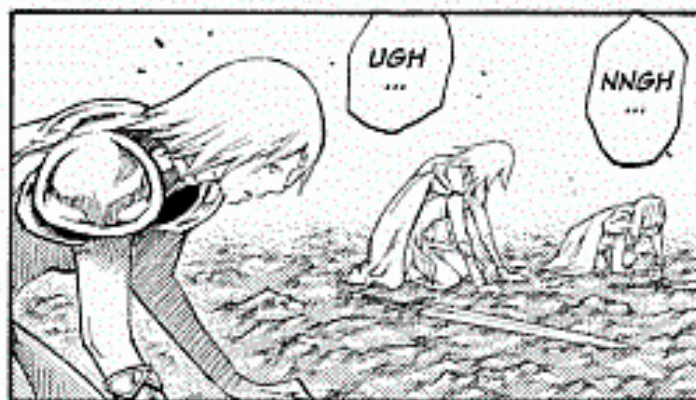
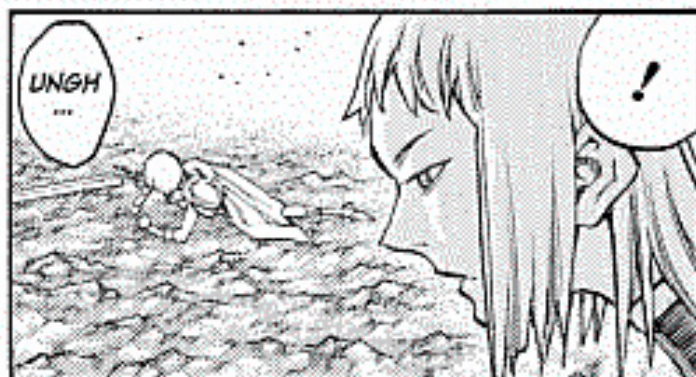
...IT
OCCURRED
TO ME THAT
I WAS
ALIVE.

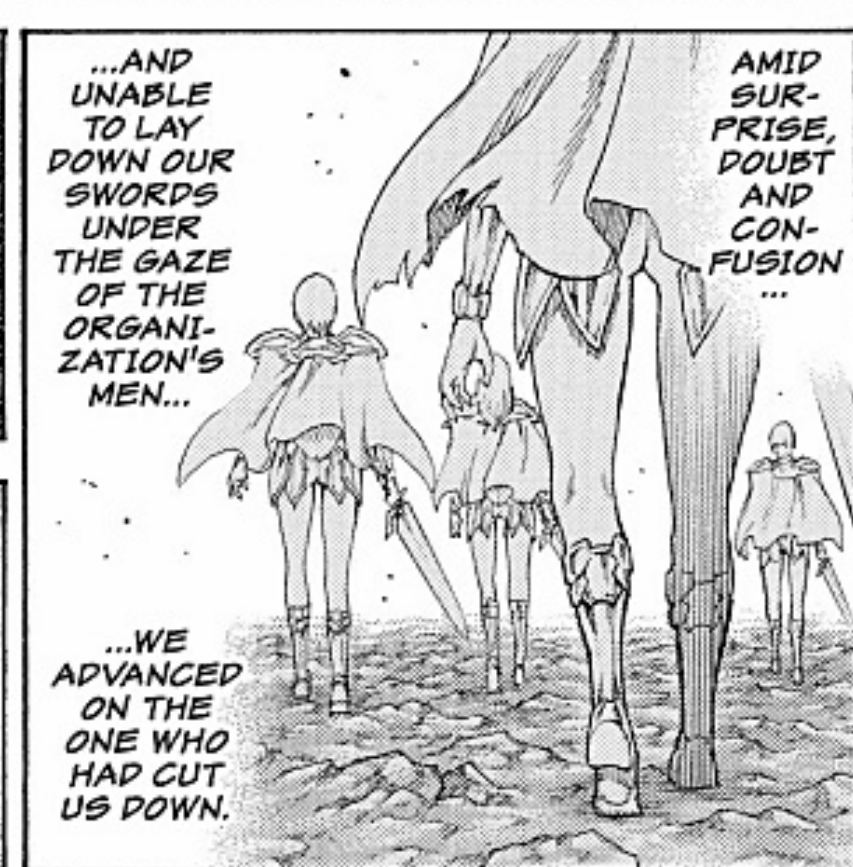
WHEN
I
CAME
TO...

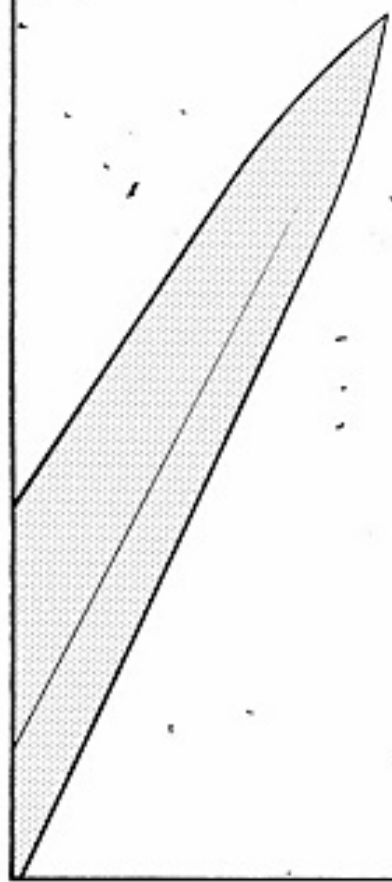


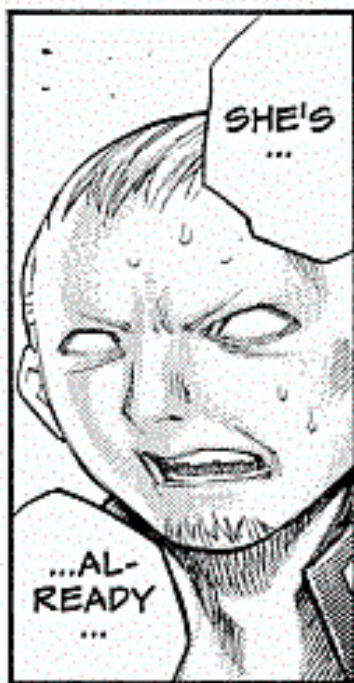
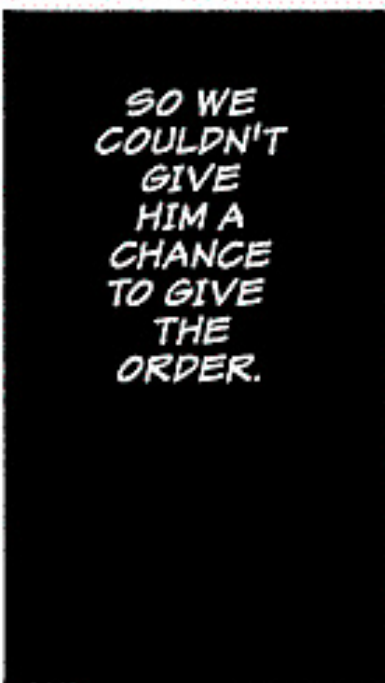
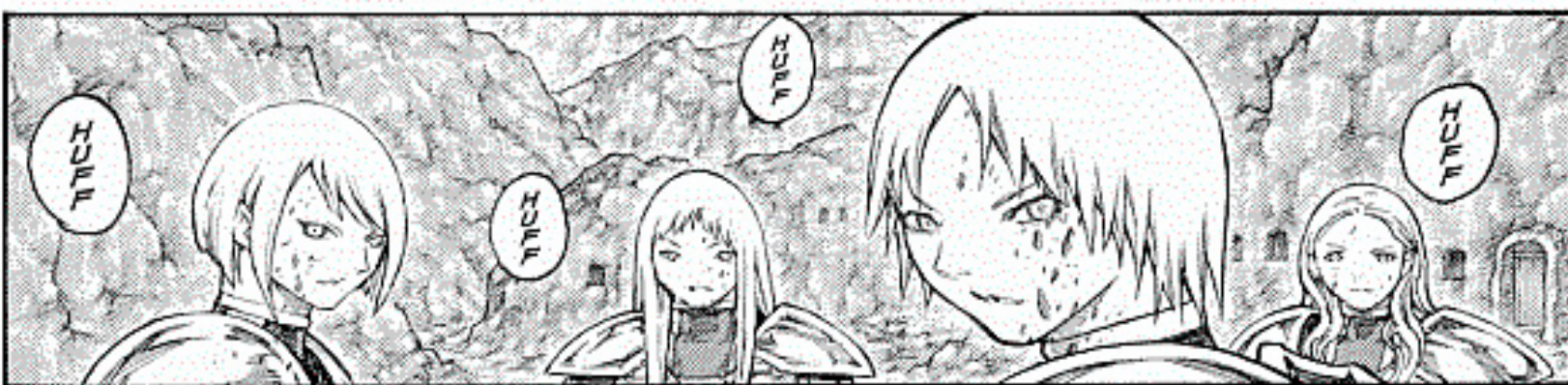
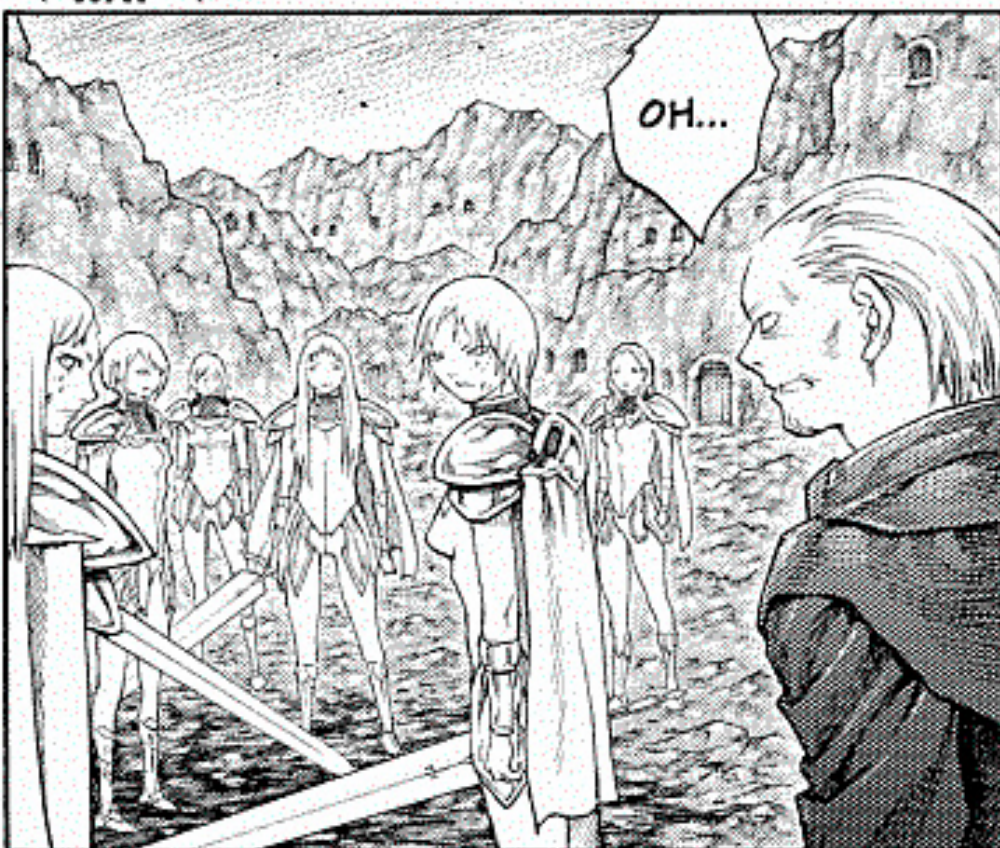
WHEN I
SAW MY
COMRADES
ALSO
GETTING
UP...

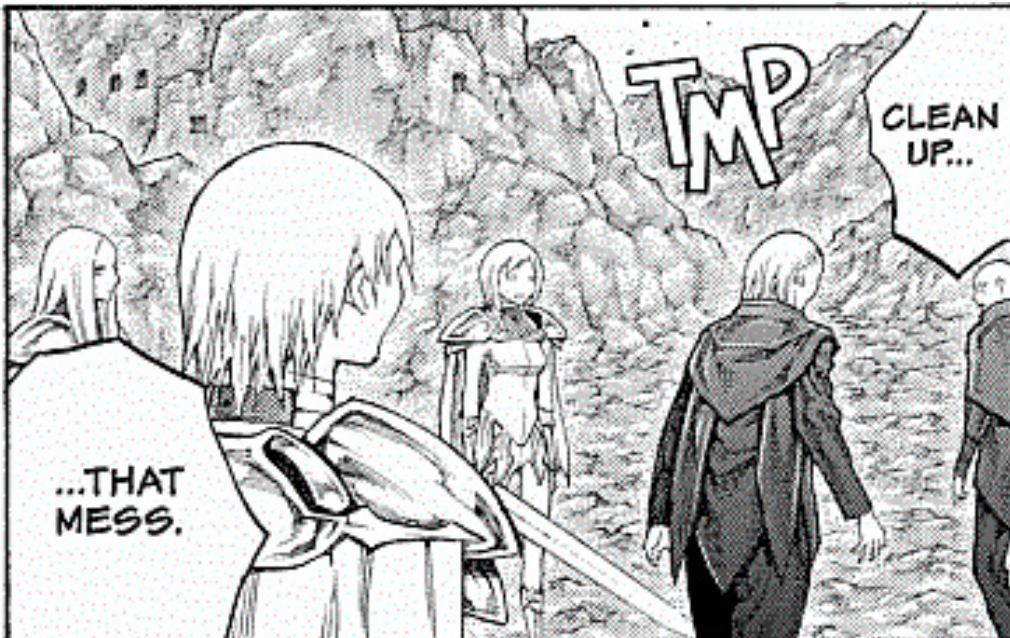
...I
KNEW
SHE HAD
LET US
LIVE.





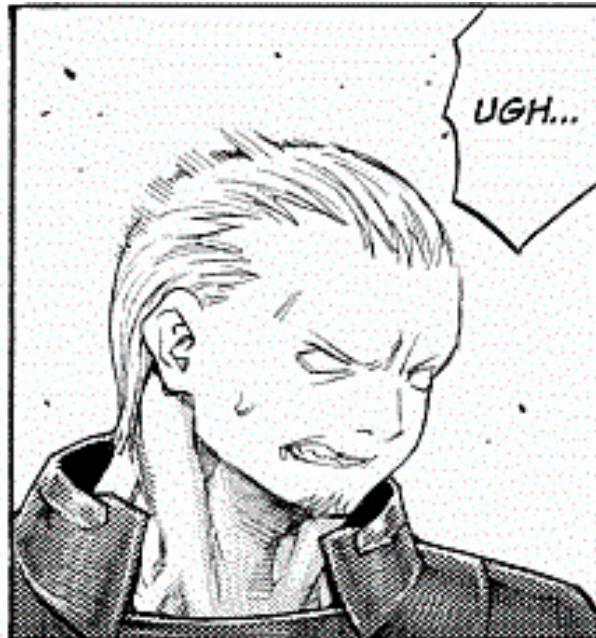




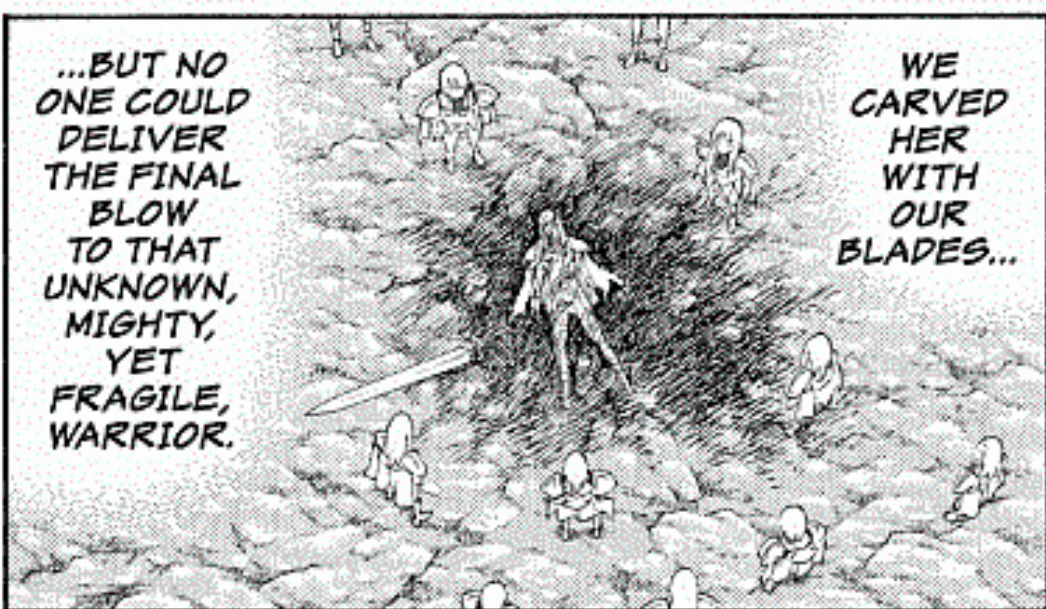


...THAT
MESS.

CLEAN
UP...



UGH...



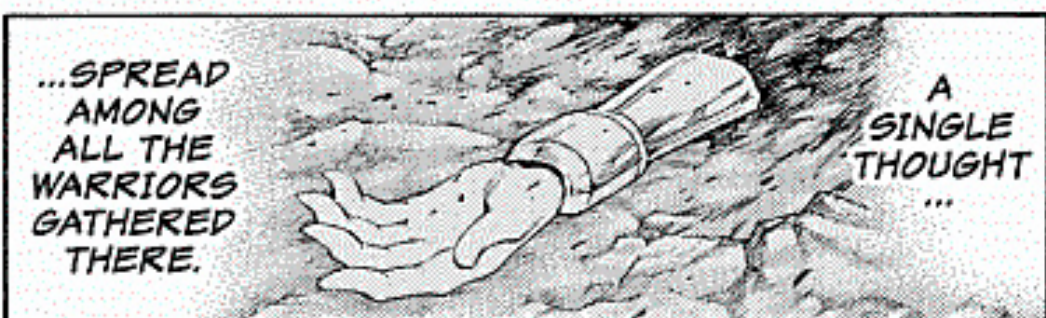
...BUT NO
ONE COULD
DELIVER
THE FINAL
BLOW
TO THAT
UNKNOWN,
MIGHTY,
YET
FRAGILE,
WARRIOR.

WE
CARVED
HER
WITH
OUR
BLADES...



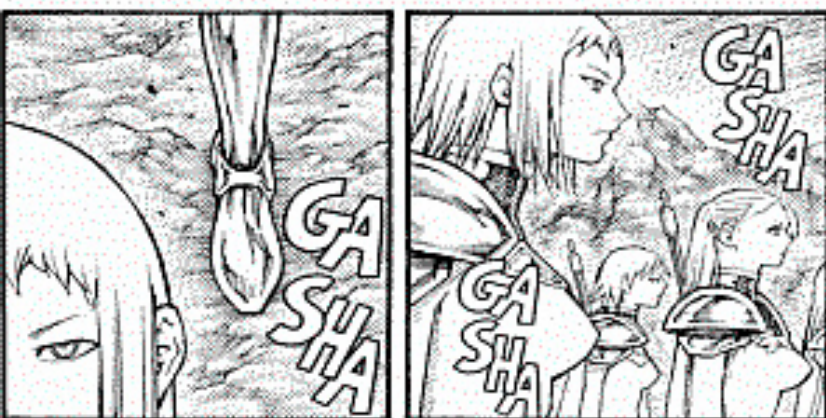
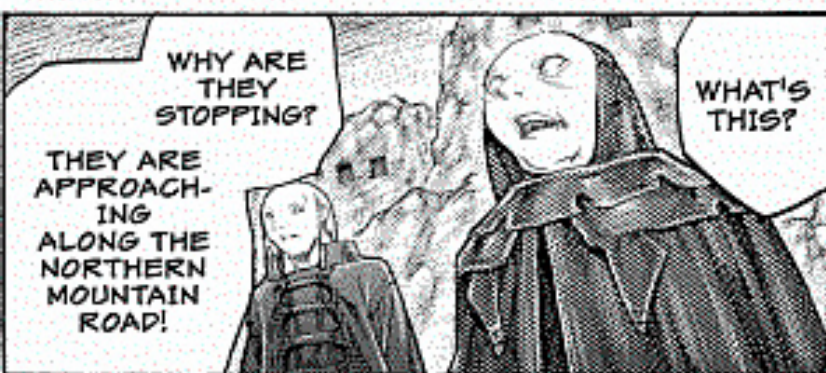
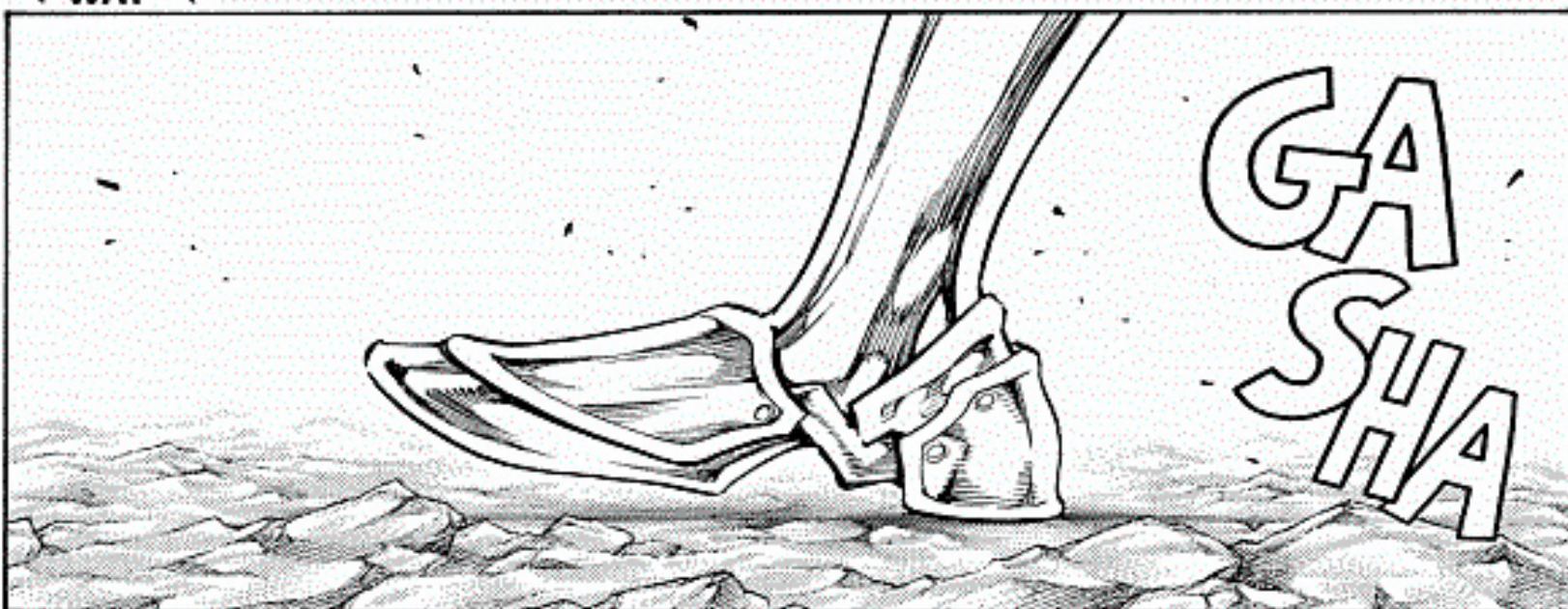
IT BEGAN
WITH THE
SMALL
WARRIOR
WHO
IMPALED
HER...

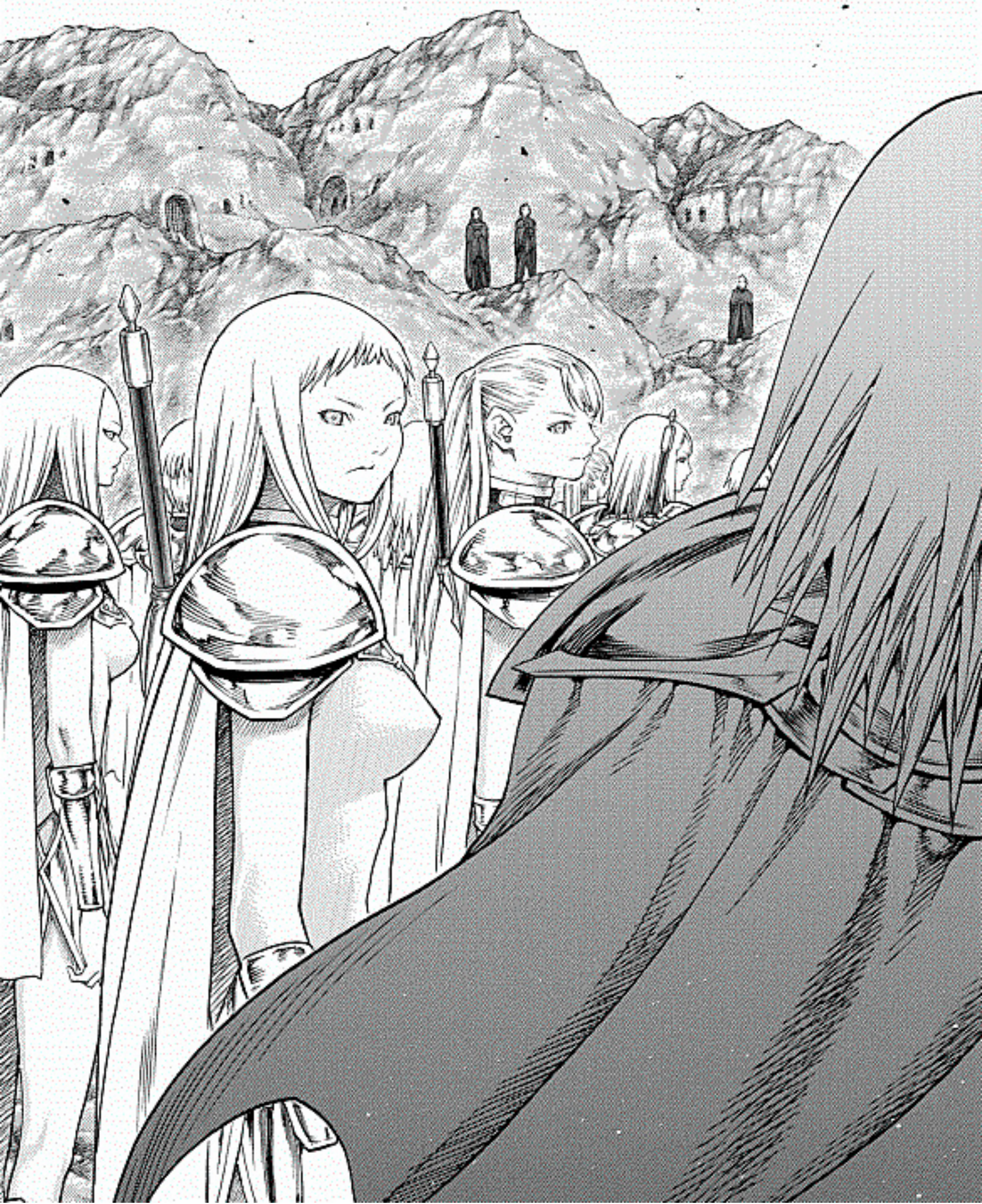
...BUT
MISSED
HER
VITALS.

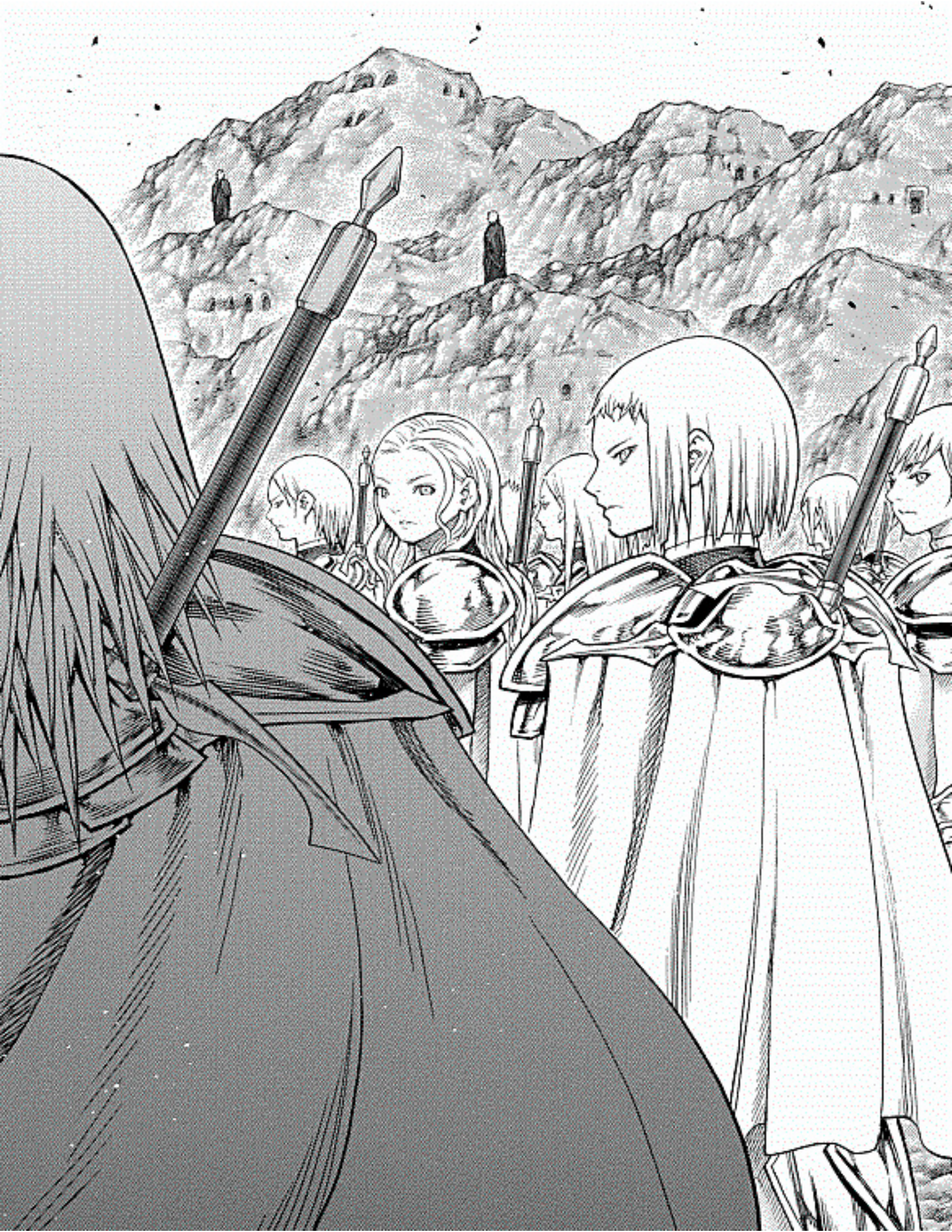


...SPREAD
AMONG
ALL THE
WARRIORS
GATHERED
THERE.

A
SINGLE
THOUGHT
...









I DECLARE
REBELLION.

END OF VOL. 20: REMAINS OF THE DEMON CLAW



ALL
RIGHT,
LET'S
DO
THIS.



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